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wingers argued last the Government's ficulties for the 13 Liberal MPs on whose support the Government depends. On that account, it was being suggested, the Cabinet saw some advantage in avoiding the preicse language of a White Paper and preferring the looser form of a Commons

Mr Norman Atkinson, treasurer of the Labour Party and a leading member of the Tribune Group, showed in a speech last night the kind of pressures Mr Healey is now feeling in and outside the Cabinet room.

Cabinet room.

"Unless the Government now recognizes the need for price controls and is prepared to guarantee that there will be no further drop in living standards", he said, "Britain will undoubtedly head for a wages war of volcanic proportions,"

Mr 'Atkinson's speech struck resounding chords that could

resounding chords that could be heard at a more discreetly mused pitch during the past two or three days in Westminister corridors, as it became clear that the TUC leaders were unable or unwilling to deliver the deal on which Mr Healey and the Treasury were basing their strategy for the next 12 months. That explains why Mr Callag-

han not only could say but rather had to say in the House vesterday at question time that the Chancellor's statement today will be "perfectly ade-quate" as a substitute for the dead White Paper "if it is reproduced in Hausard next

day".

For Mrs Thatcher there was a world of difference to change from a White Paper on pay policy to "a minor Budget statement".

Rees, said in a parliamentary From below the gangway Mr Ridwell, another Tribune MP, reminded the Prime Minister that on pay "it is the public sector workers who inevitably get clobbered".

That was why, Mr Callaghan answered: "I am in favour, whenever I can get it by agreement, of a pay policy. It is the fairest way of distributing rewards in any modern complex society. But it also happens to written reply yesterday that the report showed that the owed something to faults in the handling of security intelligence in the prison and to operational decisions on the spot that can, with hindsight, be seen as arrors of judgment".

But the aim of a prison like Hull was to achieve a relaxed and purposeful regime within society. But it also happens to be a democracy and the Covernsecure perimeter. Any errors must be seen in that context.

Mr Kenneth Daniel, general secretary of the Prison Officers' Association, said last night that the previous April it had told the Home Secretary about the dangers of restrictions on overtime in arrivals like Hull indicate. ment has to operate in the con-fines of the agreement that can

At that point Mr Callaghan betrayed his acute disappoint ment at the Government's failure to strike a third-year bargain with the TUC. But he later insisted that the social

contract lives on.

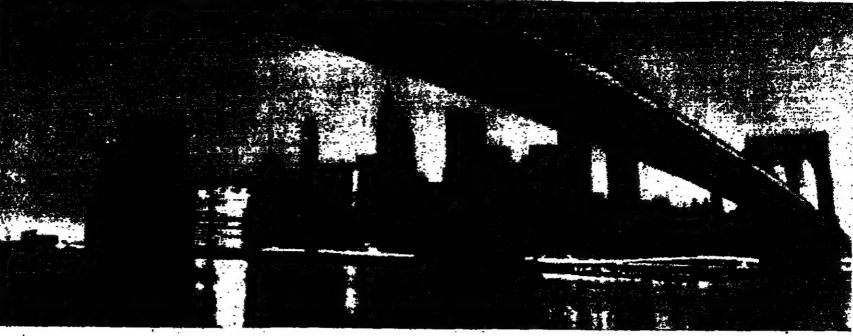
Making the best of things,
Mr Callaghan told Mr Enoch Powell that he agreed free col-lective bargaining arcan be restored without undue damage". His objection to free collective bargaining a in its to sense of justice between various groups of workers. For that reason he would try on every occasion he got at some agreement with the

movement as a whole. Discussions would take place during the autumn in the new situation—in—which—we find ourselves "

Apart from pay policy, its main content, the statement will include Mr Healey's decisions on the tidying up of the Finance Bill before it leaves the Commons for the Lords on July 25. He has to announce whether he feels able to make the cut of 2p in the standard. rate of income tax, or to accept the committee stage amendment an personal allowances costing £450m a year. Social contract, page 2

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to direct election Bill means that



The New York skyline and Brooklyn Bridge in darkness during Wednesday night's power failure. A building on the left is lit by emergency power.

2,500 held for looting in blackout

New York, July 14

Two thousand five hundred people were arrested for looting after a power failure plunged New York into darkness last night. This afternoon much of the city was still without elec-

Its banks, stores, financial markers and businesses were closed for the day after Mr Abraham Beame, the mayor, had issued a statement relling New Yorkers to remain at home until the emergency had been resolved.

Hull jail riot

finds errors

Home Affairs Correspondent

The report of an inquiry into

The report of an inquiry into a four-day riot of "unprecedented ferocity" at Hull
prison disclosed yesterday that
the board of visitors there had
given warning to the Home
Secretary more than a week
before the riot that the jail
was "a powder keg", because
of restrictions on prison officers' overtime.

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The board's letter to Mr Jenkins, who was then Rome Secretary, recommended that

Hull should be insulated from

the general economic cuts in

Mr Jenkins's successor, Mr

dangers of restrictions on time in prisons like Hull, which time in prisons like Hull, which

were studiously ignored", he

The association's policy favours the idea of concentrat-

ing such men in one or two prisons instead of dispersing

them, as now, to such prisons. But Mr Rees said yesterday that

he would not turn towards such

Mr John Prescott, Labour MP for Kingston upon Hull, East told me last night that he had

received letters smuggled out of

ther dispersal prisons suggest

ing that riots would take place there. He said evidence in the report did not bear out its sug-gestion that the regime at Hull

The report, which is by Mr Gordon Fowler, Chief Inspector of Prisons, says the regime at Hull was not harsh or representations.

sive. The riot had no single

ploited a demonstration inten-

ded to be passive.
It criticizes prison officers

for surrendering prisoners. As

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By Peter Evans

The blackout occurred with little warning on a typically stifling and humid New York evening. According to officials of Consolidated Edison, New York's electricity company, it was the result of a series of local power failures which could not be compensated by the already overloaded cast the already overloaded cast

At 8.30 pm an oil pool at a Consolidated Edison plant in Westchester County, north of New York, was strock by lightning. The resulting fire caused an explusion in a nearby transformer, sending flames 300ft into the air and cutting the transmission lines linking upstate power plants with the city. A nuclear power plant half a mile from the damaged transformer was immediately shut down on safety grounds. From their Manhattan head-

rechnicians made a series of building said. "All you could selective curs in order to see was New Jersey."

reduce the strain placed on Subway trains and lifts came such facilities as were still functioning. The first sign that anything was amiss came when television images throughout the city shorrened and blanked our as the 5 to 8 per cent reductions took effect.

However, the cuts did not achieve their aim, At 9.30 pm, the city's main power station in Queens became overloaded and went off the line, "We and went off the line. "We had hardly got started when the whole system went down", Mr Charles F, Luce, the chairman of Consolidated Edison, said.

At 9.34 pm, the city dimmed for three seconds and blacked "All of a sudden New York disappeared", a diner at the top of the quarter-mile-

to a halt, airports were closed

gency supplies. Twelve thousand spectators at the Shea sta-dium baseball game had to find their way to their cars in the dark. A couple at the top of the 200 ton 150ft big wheel Coney Island were oned in their gondola marooned in their gondola until 16 people manually rotated the wheel to allow

Tire blackout longer and more spectacular than the pretious one which struck New York and the east coast in November, 1965. Within minutes of the failure, the city police force was over-whelmed with reports of arson and looting on the Upper West

By Michael Hazfield,

reported yesterday.

contempt of the House, an all-party select committee of MPs

The committee was set up to inquire into the conduct of MPs

in connexion with Mr Poul-son's affairs and was asked to Consider whether their

ectivities amounted to a con-

tempt or were inconsistent with

the standards of the House. Mr Albert Roberts, Labour

MP for Normanton, failed to tell those with whom he was

dealing that he was paid by Mr Poulson, "conduct incon-sistent with the standards which the House is emitled to

expect from its members."

The committee says it is satisfied that there is nothing to suggest that Mr Maudling was aware of a bribe said to have been paid in connexion with the Gozo hospital contract.

In a statement after the report had been published, Mr Maudling said: "I am glad the select committee have made it

clear that there is no question

expect from its mumbers'

Political Resurter

MPs criticized over

Poulson connexions

Shutters and store windows were smashed with dustbin Lide and goods pulled out on to the percenent. In Times Square and hospitals switched to emergangs of teenagers broke win-dows and lit fires of rubbish. A price spokesman said that 78 officers were injured in the course of making 2,500 arrests last night and this morning. Mr Beame told a press confer-

ence that prospects for full restoration of power were still vague and accused Consolidated Edison of "gross negligence". He said New Yorkers had been "needlessly subjected to a night of terror in many communities that have been wantonly looted and burned".

In the city's middle class ighbourhoods, the night was relaxed, even pleasant. Crowds drifted from bar to bar in search of shrinking stocks of cool beer. The city's all-night Side, in Brooklyn, and in the Continued on page 8, col 4

tee's comments on the declara-

tion of interests for reasons

which I shall make clear when

the House debates the report.

What I bitterly resent is their criticism of my conduct in the

matter of my resignation letter.
in view of the fact that when I
appeared before them they
neither mentioned this to me

por asked me for any explana-

Mr Cordle said last night: Having maintained my inno-cence of charges of bribery and

corruption or corrupt conduct. The committee's findings on

this issue are a vindication of my reputation." Lord Glenamara, formerly Mr

Edward Short, a former Leader of the House, appeared before the committee, which found that the evidence did not sug-

gest a connexion with the affairs of Mr Poulson on Mr Short's part that would justify

the committee in making any further comment about it.

Of four other MPs men

Princess Alice is Queen Vic

The Queen has lent the painting by Laurits Tuxen to the Royal Academy's exhibi-tion "This Erilliant Year". On her ninetieth birthday Princess Alice said: "I have extraor-

corruption, it is highly gratifying that the solect committee
have found after detailed
examination of MPs and
numerous documents that
nothing investigated amounts to The grand old lady of the family, in which longevity is a potent matriarchal attribute, is a stickler for protocol. She has an old-fashioned respect for the disciplines of her royal

> that a princess of her rank in the official list did not rate so prominent a vehicle. She drove by limousine instead.

balcony of Buckingham Palace with the rest of the Royal Family after the Queen's birth-day parade in 1972 on the ground that she at least was still in official mourning for the Duke of Winder She year the Duke of Windsor. She was up on the balcony after this year's parade wearing her silver jubilee medal.

Of four other Mrs mea-tioned in press reports about the affair, the committee says the whole story was false and without foundation. Mr John Binns, former MP for Keighley, was also cleared of any also cleared of any

quarters, Consolidated Edison high World Trade Centre Bronx. Labour may allow tax relief on capital gains

The Government is hoping to effect on capital gar provide tax relief in next year's question would be Finance Bill to offset the effect sympathetically. Sir of inflation on capital guins, Mr Denzil Davies, Minister of State at the Trensury, told the Commons last night. He said the Government recognized that inflation had a considerable

Export and trade 'Botched repair' trends improve

Britain's trade delicit increased Mr Ennals, Secretary of State by £36m to £287m in June, but for Social Services, told MPs imports were inflated by £250m that action would be taken to worth of North Sea equipment avoid a repetition of the case Exports, too, showed a more encouraging trend, rising 5 per cent over the May figure. In the three months to the end of June exports rose 6 per cent in-volume and imports by only 1 per cent Page 19

Sir John Kerr steps down

Sir John Kerr, the Governor-General of Australia, has resigned, prompting specula-tions of an early general elec-tion. He will be replaced by Sir Zelman Cowen, Vice Chan-cellor of Queensland University. Sir John, aged 62, was said to have resigned on his own have resigned on his own

Owen initiative wrecked

Opposition from Dr Owen's Cabinet colleagues to a British presence during a transfer of power in Rhodesia, and Mr Smith's unyielding stand, have introlled to the control of the control o virtually wrecked the Anglo-American initiative for a peaceful settlement

Bread subsidy to be removed

Ministers have told bakers that they intend to end the subsidy on bread, now worth ip on a large loaf. Trade union leaders are against its removal on the grounds that subsidies encourage wage restraint Page 19

Sexton accepts United post

Dave Sexton took 30 seconds to Accept an invitation to manage Manchester United Football Club. He recently resigned who stripped some cells with "excessive zeal" to make room from a similar post with Queen's Park Rangers. He succeeds Tommy Docherty, who was dismissed

> Leader page, 17 Letters : On Granvick, from Mr Jack Brown, and others; on Marxism, from Mr J. W. Saunders; and on blasphemy, from Dr. Syed Aziz Pashu, and others Leading articles: The conduct of MPs; Options on nuclear reactors; A lesson for hospitals Features, pages 12 and 16 A special correspondent describes Africa's worst case of genocide;

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Mr Maedling, the former Conservative Cabiner minister, was at fault in not disclosing in the Commons his relationship with Mr John Poulson, the former architect, and the conduct of Mr John Cordle, Conservative MP for Bournementh, East, amounted to a question would be looked at sympathetically. Sir Geoffrey Howe, QC, for the Conservatives, urged that if gains in capital values were to be taxed they must be real and not paper gains. month, East, amounted to

ruined a life

of Miss Efizabeth Shewan, who suffered permanent brain dam-age after an anaesthetic accident at Westminster Hospital London. An inquiry report said a botched-up repair played a key part in the accident.

Freeze on gas prices ordered

Gas prices have been frozen by the Price Commission to absorb excess profits that it claims have been made by British Gas With £37sn to be used up, prices should be held at least until next April

High Court mail application fails

A High Court application by a London businessman to obtain mail held at Cricklewood sorting office, London, which is closed because postal workers refused to handle Grunwick mail, failed. Mr Justice MacKenna decided that the Post Office had not committed any breach of duty Page 2

Homelessness: London offers more help to the homeless than authorities in the rest of the country, statistics show

Abortion law reform: Govern ment will not provide extra time for the Bill 6

Brussels: EEC proposes a ban for direct fishing of berring in North Sea throughout 1978 Union broke rules: The Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers broke its rules when it expelled two of its staff from membership, a High Court judge ruled

Law Report, page 14 Motor racing: A four-page Special Report to mark tomor-row's British Grand Prix at Silverstone.

reports; Motor Racing: James Hunt achieves good timings at practice for Brigish Grand Prix ; Yaobting : British crew lose lead Racing: Prospects for two meet-

the individual; Kenneth Owen ex-

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Stock markets: Shares lost earlier
gains in defensive marking down
and the FT Index closed unchanged at 449.9
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for Mr Healey; Diversifications
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plains how computers are helping the police and the emergency services the crew were killed in the crash and the third by North Business Diary : A departure from the Spar voluntary grocery store

The Americans have asked for an immediate meeting of the international armistice com-mission at Pannunjon, at which they will ask that the survivor and the bodies be returned.
The North Koreans say they
wish to complete their own
investigation first, and have
suggested a meeting on Saturmorning.

whatever of corrupt conduct, and further, that I knew nothcriticisms. ing of any bribe that may have been paid by Mr Poulson." I do not accept the commit-Committee report, page 2 Parliamentary report, page 6 Leading article, page 17 N Koreans shoot down American

helicopter From Patrick Brogan -Washington, July 14

Three Americans were killed in a military helicopter shot down over North Korea today, and a fourth was captured. President Carter said in Washington that the helicopter had ingon that the neutroper made evidently strayed across the demilitarized zone in error. It was a regrettable error and that he hoped that there would be no unfortunate repercussions.

The helicopter and its crew were unarmed. They were being sent from a base south of Seoul to move some construction morerial at an observation post being built two kilometres south of the buffer zone along the frontier. The zone is two kilo-metres wide and thus the helicopter strayed at least two kilometres off course.

As the helicopter passed over the southern edge of the buffer zone, a South Korean observation post fired a warning shot, or shots.

That warning was ignored, or missed. When the helicopter was over North Korean territory, North Korean troops opened fire on it with a heavy machine gun.
The helicopter landed briefly,

for one or two minutes, per-haps to check damage, and then took off in an attempt to escape south. It was then shot Apparently two members of

Korean gunfire. It is not clear whether he was killed in the or on the ground. 12, 52

Last of the royal Victorians to take salute By Philip Howard

Princess Alice, Countess of Athlone, is taking the salute at the Royal Tournament tonight. The doyenne of the Royal Family is carrying on with her official duties with characteristic conscientiousness and punctilio on the day that she sets a record by living longer than any previous member of the British Royal Family. She was born at Windsor Castle on February 25, 1883, and so attains the age of 94 years and 140 days today.

days today.

If we disregard such long-lived mythical ancestors of the Royal Family as Woden (according to The Anglo-Sexon Chronicle), until roday the oldest member has been Princess Augusta of Cambridge, Grand Duchess of Mecklenburg-Strelitz, the elder daughter of Prince Adolphus Frederick, first Duke of Cambridge and seventh son of Cambridge and seventh son of George III. Augusta died in 1916, aged 94 years 139 days.

For the purposes of this calculation we disregard as for-eigners Princess Anna of Mon-tenegro, a great-aunt of the Duke of Edinburgh, who lived to the age of 95 years, eight to the age of 35 years, eight months, and the ballering Mathilde Kchessinska, mistress of the Tsar Nicholas, who ended her days as Princess Marie Felixovna Romanovsky Krassinsky, aged 99 years three months.

toria's last surviving grand-daughter: a magnificent sur-vival from the nineteenth century and last representative of the Victorian virtues. She has the Victorian virtues. She has been an active participant in royal pageants for more than 80 years: she rode in Queen-Victoria's diamond jubilee carriage procession to St Paul's in 1897, and this year in me Queen's silver jubilee procession to St Paul's.

The Queen's great supposes

The Queen's great-nunt can be seen in a white party frock at the age of four in the official portrait of the Royal Family at Victoria's golden jubiles in 1887. She stands prominently in the foreground facing the august matriarch.

Auce said: "I have extraor-dinarily good health. We have always been outdoor people, and I go for a walk every day. I'd die if I didn't."

calling.

She refused to ride in the Irish state coach to Princess Anne's wedding on the ground

She refused to appear on the

She was made a Lady of the Order of Victoria and Albert in 1898 in recognition of her Continued on page 2, col 1

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thought it most unlikely that direct elections could be fitted within the Cabi into the order paper during that elections to the sessibly appear to re battle to delay the European its completion on July 25, only four days before both the lat the EEC target. House of Lorde rise. e elections of May House of Lords rise.

year will be mer. With every prospect now.

Leader of the that there will not be this year one of the main the usual corryover period for f the Bill, which the present session of Parliament of one or two weeks in ast week made conferences, the decision on arrival that the the method of election will has abandoned its have to wair until the new ses-w MPs to choose sion. That is expected to begin of election before in the week after the Tory recess. conference ends at Blackpool-ouncing that the on October 14. Mrs. are rise for the sum expected to assemble only to in Friday, July 29, prorogue, with the State open-

in may not meet EEC timetable Mr Foot told MPs that he ing of Parliament following immediately.

> ing the target date even if a decision was taken before the House. But some MPs had hoped that if the electricative and more popular "first past the past" system was chosen early enough, the Government ary processes so that the boundary commission could make a start on drawing up the new constituencies. Miniswhereas the regional list sys-tem would not involve the

It was already clear that there was little hope of meet-

recess, unless the regional list system of proportional repre-sentation was chosen by the might have begun the necessters estimate that the process might take at least 18 weeks,

boundary, commission. Parliamentary report, page 6

'Mr Maudling was at fault for not declaring Malta interests'

Mr Maudling, former Con-servative Chancellor of the Exchequer, vigorously, but not improperly, worked to promote the interests of Mr John Poulson, the former architect, in Malta and was at fault in not declaring his interests during a speech in Parliament, a select committee of MPs

reported yesterday.
The committee, which was set up in October last year to report on the conduct and activities of MPs in connexion with the affairs of Mr Poulson, also states of Mr John Cordle, Conservative MP for Bournemouth. East :

"What your committee find objectionable about Mr Cordle's conduct is that his motive in pressing the interests of The Gambia in the House was to further his own unavowed commercial interests, that is to say, that he was raising a matter in Parliament for reward, and they consider that he abused his membership of Parliament thereby. This conduct they consider amounts to contempt

In the case of Mr Albert Roberts, Labour MP for Nor-manton, the committee considers that the person with whom he was dealing had the right to know that Mr Roberts was being paid by Mr Poulson. His failure so to inform them constituted conduct inconsistent with the standards which the House is entitled to expect

The committee says that in its opinion the evidence does not suggest a connexion with the affairs of Mr Poulson on the part of Lord Glenamara (formerly Mr Edward Short) that would justify its making any further comment. The allegation that in 1971-72 Mr Short, a former Leader of the House of Commons, held an account at the Swiss Corporation Bank in Zurich was investigated by Mr John Morrison, Deputy Commissioner at Scotland Yard. and his statement established beyond doubt that the allegation was based on forged docuIt has not been possible to identify the forger. Regarding the publication of

newspaper report in June, 1973, that four other MPs, Mr Ernest Armstrong (Durham, North-west), Mr Edward Lead-bitter (Hartlepool), Mr Roy Mason (Barnsley) and Mr Frederick Willey (Sunderland, North) had been interrogated by the police in connexion with Mr Poulson's affairs and might be arrested, Scotland Yard inquiries soon established that that report was based on a bogus document. The commit-tee thinks "it right to repeat that the whole story was false nd without any foundation "; Mr Maudling's business asso-

ciation with Mr Poulson began m 1990, the committee states, the became a director of Con-struction Promotion in Septem-ber and chairman in November. International Technical and Construction Services (ITCS) replaced Construction Promo-tion, and Mr Maudling became a director and chairman of it on January 3, 1967.

He also became a director of Open-Systems on July 11, 1967. His work involved seeking to obtain business for Mr Poulson, to some extent in the United Kingdom but princi-pally overseas, on behalf of ITCS, in the Middle East, in Mexico and in Malta.

The committee made a full investigation of the remunera-tion and other benefits received by Mr Maudling and his family from his association with Mr Poulson. The report explains that that was not because there was anything improper about this remuneration, but because it was necessary to understand the extent of Mr Maudling's interest in order to consider any

might have owed to the House. Mr Maudling received £625 from Construction Promotion, £1,500 from Open-Systems, and was entitled to £9,500 a year from ITCS. He decided not to draw his money from ICTS until the company became profitable. and he returned a cheque. Had

Princess Alice: Last surviv-

ing granddaughter of Queen

When friends pressed her, in

consideration for her age, to

use a walking-stick, she agreed reluctantly, but had it camou-flaged as an umbrella. When

anyone asks her how she is,

she waves the umbrella jaunt-ily and says: "Very well".

Her great friend recently

was Gustav VI Adolf, King of

Sweden, the archaeologist and last Swedish monarch to have

any political power. Princess Africe used to visit him regu-larly in the summer until his

So far this year she has



Mr Maudling: Criticism of resignation letter.

the company prospered he would have been entitled to full back payment, so that must be regarded as part of his interest in the Poulson companies, the committee states.

As an inducement to Mr Maudling to join his companies, Mr Poulson agreed to make an annual payment of £5,000 under covenant to a charity of which Mrs Maudling was one of six trustees, the Adeline Genée Theatre Trust. Other benefits included travel expenses for Mrs Maudling to Mexico and elsewhere, and supervisory services for a swimming pool for which no bill was submitted by Mr Poulson but for which Mr Maudling has agreed to pay the trustee in bankruptcy on the initiative of the trustee,

On April 6, 1968, Mr Maud-ling wrote to Mr Poulson: ing wrote to Mr Poulson:
The account Baker sent to me set
out very graphically the total cost
to you of the Maudling family and
their interests. It certainly is
colossal. I only hope that you
think it is worth while; never hesitate to tell me if you have

In the opinion of the committee "this description of his relationship with Mr Poulson by Mr Maudling should be



Mr Cordle: "Contempt of

borne in mind when consider-ing the nature of his involve-ment with ITCS and the extent of the need to declare his in-

The committee states that Mr Maudling made full in-quiries before becoming asso-ciated with Mr Poulson; if he was misled, so were many others. In particular, the com-mittee is satisfied that "there is nothing to suggest that Mr. Maudling was aware of a bribe said to have been paid in connexion with the Gozo bospital

Mr Maudling took adequate steps to disclose his relation-ship with Mr Poulson to those with whom he dealt outside Par-liament, the committee says, but there are aspects that have given the committee concern. On Mr Maudling's position as a tadow minister the committee

the minds of those Maltese whom Mr Maudling approached on business matters on behalf of Mr Poulson that if they did what was requested they would be grarifying someone who might at the time-mad even more in the future time—and even more in the future (since a stadow minister is a potential future minister)—be in



Mr Roberts : Failed to tell of payments.

This is a situation which caused your committee concern, but one which Mr Mandling was quite entitled to point our does not apply to himself alone. The fact that he had international business interests was well known and did not attract adverse comment at the not attract adverse comment at the time. The House has never given any guidance on this matter; your committee consider that this is a general problem that deserves the

Referring to the debate on Make on February 2, 1967, in relation to proposed cuts in defence expenditure, the committee states it was opened by Mrs Hart, Minister of State for Commonwealth Affairs, and Mr Mandling spoke first as oppo-sition spokesman. Mr Mandling evidently believed, despite Mrs Hart's statement to the con-trary, that there was a real danger that the Government would cut aid to Maita. The

The maintenance of aid to Malta was certainly in Mr Poulson's interests and consequently Mr Manding's interests, since he was concerned not only with the hospital but with the Mgarr harbour and port facilities developments. The more aid that Malta received, the greater would be the likelihood of work for companies with

Manufing did not declare an interest to the House, and he assured your committee that he genuinely believed that this was unnecessary. Furthermore, Mr Mandling has subsequently obtained an opinion from Lord Maybrey-King, who was Speaker at the time, that all Mr Manufing this in the debute ' was to put forward a matter of public policy on which your party mok a certain line and for which you acted as spokesman."

that Mr Speaker Morrison's description of one of the purposes of declaration being "a matter of prudence, in case a member should be suspected of un-srowed matives as being ap-propriate in Mr Maudling's case. The communitie is sausfied that if the House had, shortly after the speech was made, become aware of the facts, they would have taken the view that a declaration ought to

The committee states that Mr Maudling "would have been advised to let his interest in Malta be known to the House at a time when he was bound to be making frequent in rentions about this island." On the resignation of Mr Maudling as Home Secretary when the police investigation into Mr Poulson's activities was annumced, the committee quotes a section of the resigna-tion letter which states: "... assertions that ... before I accepted his (Mr Poulson's) invitation to became chairman

of an export company, for which post Itook no remunera-tion, he had made a covenant in favour of a charitable appeal which had my support. I do not regard this as a matter either for criticism or for investization."

The committee states that, while the letter contained nothing that was untrue, it considers that had the House been aware both of the close business rela-tionship between Mr Poulson and Mr Maudling and the nature

it would have considered Mr Mandling did not declare an Mandling's statement to have interest to the House, and he as been lacking in frankness." The report adds : " Your committee consider that in this re-

spect Mr Mandling's conduct was inconsistent with the standards which the House is entitled to expect from its

Mr Cordle made an agree-ment with Mr Poulson and with Ropergate Services and during the period from March, 1964 to February, 1970, was paid £5,628. The committee states that neither the nature of the work nor the amounts of money involved were such that the arrangement could not have operated acceptably so far as Mr Cordle's membership of the House was concerned. Mr Cordle did not declare a

personal interest to the House, although he initiated an adjournment debate and later, in a letter to Mr Poulson setting out the ways in which his work had been of value to him, wrote: "It was largely for the benefit of Construction Promotion that I took part in a debate in the House of Commons on The Gambia and pressed HMG to award construction contracts to British firms."

The committee states that Mr Cordle was not asked or expec-sed to pursue in Parliament Mr Poulson's interests but he chose to do so in questions and debate. It continues: "He was thereby promoting a matter in Parlia-ment for reward: it is clear that he saw his activities in Parliament as among those that entirled him to be paid more generously than he was being paid." The report says: What your committee find objectionable about Mr Cordle's con-duct is that his motive in pressing the interests of The Gambia in the House was to further his own

the House was to turner his own mayowed interests, that is to say, that he was raising a matter in Parliament for reward, and they consider that he abused his membership of Parliament thereby. This conduct, they consider, amounts to a contempt of the House

Long, busy day for **Oueen** on Tyneside

By Penny Symon Muhammad Ali, the boxer, arrived in the North-east yesterday, promising that he was not trying to upstage the Queen, who is there on a jubilee

At £13,000, his trip, to raise money for boys' clubs, will cost more than the Queen's deliberstely budget-conscious visit. Officials are vague as to whether he will meet the Queen but both will be in Newcastle

upon Tyne today. In a very long, packed day yesterday, the Queen met a First World War veteran, launched a lifeboat, chanted with President Carter's motherin law, opened two new berths for West African trade on Tees Dock and walked through crowds

The Duke of Edinburgh, in cheery mood, chatted with shop keepers while walking in a shopping precinct in Hartlepool.

Mrs Alice Smith, aged 71,
President Carter's mother inlaw, was in a party of
Americans on a friendship ex-

change. Also waiting to see the Queen was Mr Albert Johnson, aged 81, of Newton Aycliffe, co Durham, who won the Military Medal for gallanty 1018 We was disin France in 1918. He was disappointed to have received it through the post, rather than from the sovereign personally.
Yesterday, 60 years later, he showed the medal to the Queen, who clipped it to his chest.
The lifeboat Scout, which the

Queen launched at Hartlepool Dock, cost 5230,000, had of was raised in one weekend by Scouts. In Middlesbrough, priately, the Duke of Edin-burgh was presented with a miniature seaman's chest, fashioned with wood from the frigate Magpie, which he commanded in the Mediterranean in 1950.

Royal Tournament salute tonight to Princess Alice

first official engagement in the diamond jubilee celebrations at the age of 14. So far she has been on parade at four coronations.

She married Prince Alexander of Teck, the Earl of Ath-lone (Queen Mary's brother) in St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle, in 1904. She enjoys her family: Lady May Abel Smith, grandchildren, and great-grand-

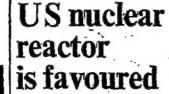
However, Princess Alice's rigorous view of her royal duties does not make her for-midable. She is a familiar and well loved figure around Clock Kensington Palace, she lives and has her office for her official duties. She goes shopping, travelling

by bus, and goes to St Mary Abbots Church on Sundays when she is in London. She is an incorrigible gardener, a lover of the opera; she used to enjoy the theatre, does not much care for television, but

likes football and cricket.
She explained: "I did not want to see the film Nicholas and Alexandra. After all, I knew them, and I do not like to see people who do not look like them pretending to be them. And do not want to see a travesty of my grandmother on the stage. I feel too tidy, too, seeing young people in those strange clothes and with

As a result of the report of the Select Committee on the Civil List in 1971, £60,000 (the sum for the Privy Purse under class 1 of the 1952 Civil List and the only class that could be regarded as payment to the Queen, which she had offered to surrender) was made available for the official expenses of members of the Royal Family who received no grant from Parliament: that is, Princess Alice, the Duke of Gloucester, the Duke of Kent, and Princess'

Although a traditionalist in royal duties. Princess Alice is no stick-in-the-mud in her pri-vate life. She made her first was over 90 and went to South



By Pearce Wright The American type of light water reactor is given a clean bill of health in a technical evaluation made for the Govevanuation made for the Gov-ernment by the National Nuclear Corporation. Three sys-tems were examined to decide which would form the basis for the third construction pro-gramme of nuclear power stations by the electricity generat-

ing boards.
The two other designs are the advanced gas-cooled reactors, which are coming into operation upon completion of the second programme, and the reactors, now under develop-ment by the Atomic Energy

Although the review should reverse an earlier judgment that ruled out the light water reactor partly on safety grounds, the assessment has not produced a clear-cut economic produced a clear-cut economic case for the American type, in preference to its established rival in the advanced gas-cooled model. The faual decision concerning the safety of a nuclear power instabilation rests, however instabilation rests, however instabilation rests. ever, with the Nuclear Installa Inspectorate decides the terms and conditions for an operating licence.
The board of the National Nuclear Corporation met yesterday to complete their report.

Lord Aldington, chairman of the corporation, said he expected it to be with the Secretary of State for Energy made her television debut in the BBC film Royal Heritage. next week.
One clear consequence of the gala, the St Paul's service, the dinner for the Commonwealth Prime Ministers, the Queen's birthday parade, and numerous lesser official engagements this ment should be the end of the steam generating heavy water reactor. Ironically, this was the choice made by the Government two years ago, in preference to the American one When she whole her book of memoirs for her grandchildren, he ended: "I am 82 and it is time to end this story of my kife, of which I wanted to give you a slight picture for remembrance. I cannot look forward to a long road now, but no one who trusts in God and imposed on the Central Electricity Generating Board as the next nuclear station to be built at Sizewell, Suffolk. The new nuclear power station would have marked the

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beginning of the third nuclear

power station programme in

Britain

How inflation undermined the unions' faith

Decline and fall of a social contract support for pay curbs

The social contract, by Sir Harold Wilson and Mr Len Murray out of Jean-Jacques Rousseau, died nine days ago at the conference of the Transport and General Workers' Union at Douglas, Isle of Man, and was buried, quietly, and without ceremony, at the Treasury earlier this week. Its. about dismantling the Industrial passing was mourned by the Cabinet, but few rank and file provisions on unfair dismissal, and later added the Employtrade unionists were at the

The contract was conceived on February 18, 1973, in a document Economic policy and the cost of living, drawn up by the TUC-Labour Party liarson committee. It was brought into the world during the election campaign of February, 1974, but it had no birth certificate. As Mr Hugh Scanlon said at the time, there was no piece of

he talle, there was no prece of paper.

It was the time of the three-day week, industrial stagmation, rising inflation, television ending at 10.30 pm, and of bitter and united opposition by the trade union movement to the Conservatives' Industrial Relational Act. Diving the election

sampaign Mr Wilson spoke of the great new social contract? between Government, industry and unions, which would resolve industrial disputes and beat inflation.

Mr Wilson won the election, and immediately kept parts of the Government's side of the bargain, not all connected with the central issue of inflation.

new privileges and safeguards to unions. The standard rate of value-added tax was cut from 10 per cent to 8 per cent, and In the autumn of 1974 the last stage of Mr Heath's pay policy

expired, and there was a wages free for all. By April, 1975, aver-age earnings for all industries had reached an annual rate of increase of 30.8 per cent. clear that a voluntary wage restraint policy was not having the desired effect on inflation,

By the summer of 1975,it was and on August 1 the first stage of a new income policy came into effect. On the day of its introduction the rate of infla-

the rate of increase in average earnings at 25.8 per cent.

The new pay controls set a limit of £6 a week on wage increases, with people already earning over £8,500 getting nothing at all. It was to last for one year.

It worked. By July, 1976, the annual rate of inflation had been reduced to 129 per cent,

and the annual rate of increase in average earnings to 13.9 per cent. Then came phase two, which provided for average in-creases of 41 per cent, with upper and lower limits of £2.50 and £4; it, too, was to last for one year, and runs out at the end of this month. Phase two has certainly

brought down the rate of increases in earnings. By April this year the rate was down to per cent and the Treasur predicts that when the period of phase two is over it will show a figure for the year of

about 9 per cent.
But it has not brought down the rate of inflation; by May that had gone up to 17.1 per cent, of which the Treasury calculated that 4 per cent could be attributed to the sinking pound and 1 per cent to last year's drought, which pushed

Liberals ready to abandon

By George Clark Political Correspondent

A new declaration of Liberal Party economic policy which will reject the idea of compulsory incomes control is expected to come from the party's annual conference in Brighton from September 26 to October 1. As part of the battle against

inflation, the Liberals have urged both Conservative and Labour Governments to establish permanent machinery for lish permanent machinery for "participative manages the regulation of wages. The styles," coupled with per first reaction of Mr John Participative, should be used doe, the party's economic eliminate waste, extraval affairs spokesman, when the and unnecessary work. week in favour of unfettered improvements in education wage bargaining, was to call for

Statutory controls. But a resolution selected for debate at the party conference would commit Liberals to working for a society "where all people can be free and prosperous" and to " the removal of the fiscal and bureaucraric impediments which discourage individual, cooperative and cor-

to earlier declarations of Liberal policy by calling for involving the introduction of I tax-credit system and the shift of the tax burden from income tax to other forms of taxation That would aim at eliminating the poverty trap, improving the incentive to work, encouraging personal investment, spreading more widely the private owner ship of wealth and encouraging the efficient use of resources In the public sector, it

stated that efficiency audits Another resolution desi

based on local community says all schools should be sponsible for achieving be standards of literacy sur The standard monitored by local education authorities

Other important resolution refer to the European Comm nity and direct elections to the European Parliament, devokrights, energy resources, rull

Court attempt to obtain mail at Cricklewood fails

An attempt by the managing director of three London companies to secure the release of small held up because of the Grunwick dispute failed in the High Court yesterday.

At a private hearing Mr Jus-ice MacKenna refused to aflow Mr Harold Shaw, aged 56, to obtain mail addressed to him which is being held at the Cricklewood sorting office in north-west London, which was closed when posted workers refused to handle Grunwick

opposed the application on behalf of the Post Office, disclosed that the judge said he was satisfied there was no evidence to show any breach of duty by the Post Office. Mr Shaw said later: "I intend to appeal I am optimis-tic that the rading will be made in our favour on

The High Court proceedings led to the postponement of a meeting between Sir William Ryland, chairman of the Post Office and five men representing other Landon businesses that have been disrupted. Sir William called off the meeting on legal advice. The Post Office said later that it

hoped another one would be

wranged.

The Police Federation said yesterday that it would consult the Association of Chief Police Officers and the Police Superintendents' Association on issues raised by the proposed review of the law on picketing. Mr James Jardine, chairman of the federacion, suid: "Our members are strongly opposed to any changes that would appear to place pickets in a position where they could give instructions to police officers on duty at industrial disputes." In the Commons, Mr Rees, Home Secretary, said that 243 police officers had been injured

side the plant yesterday morning, but the bus carrying workers drove through the

between June 13 and July 13 at Grunwick, in which time 377 people had been arrested Two groups of engineers joined the hundred pickets out-

An official of the Association of Professional Executive, Clerical and Computer Staff (Apex), which seeks recognition at the factory, said the bus would not be followed again after a police warning of possible prosecution. Two union officials were seen following it in order to discover its pick-up wainter.

Scarman inquiry: Lord Justice Scarman, heading the inquiry into the Grunwick dispute, told Mr Roy Grantham, general secretary of Apex, that the company could not be compelled by law to reinstate the workers who have been dismissed (Robert Parker

Both Mr Grantham, and Mr Leonard Gristey, Apex's Lon-don organizer, said they were aware of that

Lord Justice Scarman asked Mr Grantham to justify the calling of mass pickets outside the factory from June 13. He pointed out that when Apex's executive council took the decision the Advisory, Concilia-tion and Arbitration Service (Acas) had recommended recog mition of the union and reinstatements of dismissed workers and that "sooner or later" a decision would be obtained from the courts.

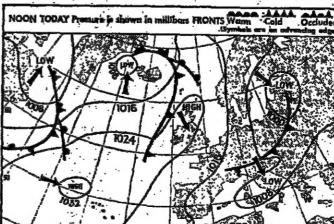
Mr Gransham replied that the dispute has dragged on for 40 weeks. Every evailable means had been employed to try to resolve it, but all had proved fruidess. The legal action fruitless. The legal action sparted by the company against the Acas report gave the pros pect of the dispute going on for several months.
The tactic of the company was to drag this matter out"

Lord Justice Scarman said Apex had two choices either to be patient with the frustra-ing delays of the legal process. or to call people out on the streets, which was disorderly and dangerous both in social and industrial terms.

Mr Grantiam replied: "We

sought a peaceful mass picket. We were sausfied after most careful examination of the long-running dispute that if we went through legal delays and pro-cedures then infortunitely, another 10 months later, we

The resolution remains true Weather forecast and recordings



New moon: Tomorrow.
Lighting up: 9.42 pm to 4.32 am.
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High water: Loudon Bridge, 2.10
am; 6.5m (21.2h;); 2.27 pm, 6.6m
(21.2h;). Avounouth, 7.25 am,
11.7m (38.5h;); 7.38 pm, 12.1m
(39.7h;). Dover, 11.41 am, 6.1m
(19.5h;); 11.55 um, 6.0m (19.8h;).
Hull, 6.22 am, 6.7m (21.9h;); 6.50
pm, 6.7m (21.8h;). Lwerpool,
11.40 am, 8.4m (27.7h;); 11.57 pm,
8.7m (28.5h;).

An anticyclone over NW Britain will drift slowly SE.
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England, Midlands: Dry, some sunny spells; wind N, light or moderate; max temp 19° to 21°C (66° m 70°F).
East Angla, SE, E England:
Mainty dry, comy intervals, perhaps light showers near E coast; wind N, light or moderate; max temp 19°C (66°F), 17°C (63°F) on E coast.

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Channel Ities: Dry summy spells; wind N, light or moderate; max temp 18°C (64°F).

Wales, Lake District, SW, NW England: Dry, summy periods wind N, light, becoming variable max remp 19° to 21°C (68° to 70°F).

on E coast.

Borders, NE England: Mainly dry, some supply spells; ward N, WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MEDDAY:

able; max temp 18"(15"C (59"F) on E coast. Isle of Man, Edinburgh, Dun-ice, Aberdeen, Glasgow, central lighlands, Moray Firth, SW Scot-

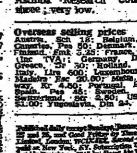
land: Dry, sunny periods; light, variable; max temp 21°C (64° to 70°F). NE Scotland, Orkney: Dry, sunny periods, wind light, variable; max temp 16°C (61°F).

Argyl, NW Scotland, N Ireland: Sunny periods, more cloudy later, periods rain in evening wind variable, becoming S, light; max temp 17° to 20°C (63° to 68°F).

haps a shower; wind variable or N, light; max temp 14°C (57°F). Outlook for tomorrow and Sunday: Occasional rain and sunny intervals in N, mostly dry in S with sunny periods but some rain in places on Sunday; temp normal in NW, warm in SE.

Sea passages: S North Sea: Wind N, moderate or fresh; locally strong at first; sea slight or moderate. Straft of Dover, English Chan-nei (E): Wind N to NE, moderate or fresh; sea slight or moderate. St George's Chamel, Irish Sea: Wind N. to NE, gentie or moderate; sea smooth or slight.

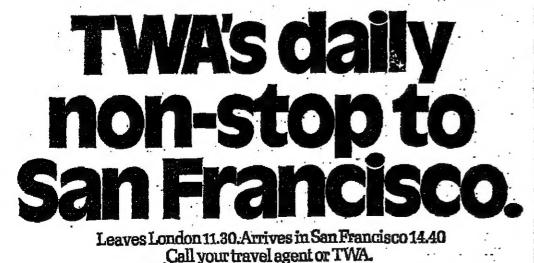
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tions in February, 1975.

After the collapse of the

second patient everyone acted

promptly and correctly and the

theatre was closed. An inter-

nal inquiry sat on February 25, 1975, and the hospital was not

to blame for not inquiring more deeply into the incident, par-

ricularly in view of the sen-

the company was under contract

to make four visits a year and had a legal duty to do so. If the service engineer had made

the anaesthetist although it was remarkable how few of the

anaesthetists seemed to know

anything about the warning at all. More about the Kent inci-

dent, which was the first of the kind, should have been made

The three manufacturers who

Manufacturers of anaesthetic machine were 'largely to blame' for accident at hospital, abridged report says

Health Services Correspondent

The manufacturers of an anaesthetic machine, who did not carry out their obligation to service it, must take a large part of the blame for the acci-dent at Westminster Hospital, London, which resulted in per-manent brain damage to Miss Elizabeth Shewan, sged 28, a teacher, an independent inquiry

An abridged report of the private inquiry, in which no one is names, published yesterday decided that the aneesthetists and the surgeon were not to blame for the grievous damage caused when hoses to the machine were transferred so that nitrous oxide (laughing 5.0s) was administered instead

Considerable blame must lie. with two unknown people, one whom did "a botched-up of whom and a botched-up repair" with a piece of tape, and the other who applied blue packing, which signified nitrous oxide, on an oxygen hose, the report says. Nursing staff, including a theatre sister and an engineer, are criticized, as anothe hospital the Kansington. are the hospital the Kensington. Chelsea and Westminster Area Health Authority and the Department of Health for lack communication and of clear

policies on repairs.

Most of the inquiry's 22 recommendations have already heen put into effect. Miss Shewan's father, Mr John Shewan, of Bearsted, Kent, and his solicitur have been refused a full copy of the report of the 19-day inquiry unless they give an undertaking, which they refuse to do, not to disclose its

I want the secrecy ended" Mr Shewan said yesterday. "It is my daughter who paid the cost. She will never take her place in society and is going to be in hospital for the next forty years."

Miss Shewan, a graduate of London University, had a gall bladder operation at the hospital. As a result of the mix-up with the boses she is almost totally blind, has little memory or motivation and, according to her futher is "95 per cent

The authorities have admitted liability for the accident and a court hearing to settle damages

is expected next year.
A director of Blease Anaesthetic Equipment Ltd, of Chesham, Buckinghamshire, said yesterday that litigation was possible and the company was therefore not in a position to comment on anything which related directly to the incident. Charges of "secrecy" and "whitewash" were immediately made against the shortened

report, which was condensed to 30 from 80 pages. Dr Gerard Vaughan, MP, Tory spokesman on the social services, said it a spare set.
was wrong that the names of She asked an engineer who doctors should be suppressed. Names should be known, not as see if he could repair a

Ciaran McMorrow, a former

soldier in both the British and

Irish armies and a suspect for

scores of bombings in Britain.

was jailed at the Special

Criminal Court in Dublin

He was convicted by the no-

jury court on five counts of

possessing erms, ammunition

and explosives and of prevent-

ing his arrest. He was given

a further concurrent sentence

oif two years for being a mem

ber of the Provisional IRA. He

Was acquitted on a more serious

charge of shooting at an Irish

soldier with intent to kill because of lack of evidence.

Mr McMorrow, aged 26, who

was said by a senior police

officer to come from a "very

respectable and law-abiding

family in co Sligo", spoke al-

Mr McMorrow's court appear

ance followed a gun battle that

led to his recapture at a re-

more farmhouse near the Irish

border in co Cavan on the eve

of St Patrick's Day this year.

His main notoriety, however, lay in his alleged British terrorist activities. They were not mentioned in the Dublin court

but Scotland Yard, which once

placed Mr McMorrow at the

top of its wanted list, is auxious

to interview him about up to 60

bombings, including the M62 coach outrage. There has been no report of any attempt to

throughout the trial.

exclusively in Irish

yesterday for 10 years.

Ex-soldier

jailed for

10 years

part of a witch-hunt against in-dividuals but because doctors must accept responsibility, and he seen to accept it, for tragic accidents or mistakes that occur in the course of their work. Mr James Morris, a branch

secretary of the National Union Public Employees, said the abridged report was a white-wash and his members would ask Mr Ennals, Secretary of State for Social Services, to publish the full report. All engineers and fitters had altouch anaesthetic machines or pring. The technician and the cleaner mentioned in the report were both members of the

Miss Christine Bicknell, chair-man of the area health author-ry, said it accepted without question the findings of the rions. They confirmed that the accident resulted from a tragic combination of circumstances, responsibility for which was shared among several people.

In a preamble to its recommendations, the inquiry report says that accidents in hospitals are rare; but unfortunately it

is not widely appreciated by the public that safety can never be absolute. The level will always be relative to resources of staff and money.

The inquiry, when it first opened, had to adjourn sine die

because nine of the doctors de-clined on legal advice to give oral evidence; later the nursing, administrative and ancillary staff made a similar decision. It was reopened after agree-ment that all sessions should be in private.

On the day before the operation on Miss Shewan, the report says, a machine being used to polish the theatre floor caught the hoses and pulled them both off the Schrader valves on the anaesthetic machine. The cleaner may have been careless but could use he blemed for but could not be blamed for what happened subsequently. The nurse to whom he reported the matter had only limited experience in theatre work.

She succeeded in connecting the oxygen supply to the nitrous oxide flowmeter. The nurse, the inquiry found, could not be blamed for trying to reconnect the hoses and, in fact, reconnecting one wrongly. She was trying to do her best and was positively misled by wrongly coloured packing material on the hose Later the nurse told a technician, who failed to re-connect the hoses and informed an anaesthetics sister. The technician could not be blamed for trying to reconnect the hoses. Having been told something

about the hoses and having visited the theatra, it was surprising that the sister did not make further inquiries before removing the hoses and fitting

normally carried out repairs to



Irreparable brain damage.

Elizabeth Shewan:

Miss

damaged hose, but failed to inform him fully, particularly that spare hoses had been fitted so there was no real emergency. He secured a reasonable fit but to the oxygen valve. The sister could be criticized for not telling the engineer what had could be criticized for the standard of the repair and for failing to make crystal clear to the sister that the hoses should be used for a minimum period.

The sister, having been given the hoses asked a technician to refit them. Neither he nor the maesthetist carried out a test after the hoses had been replaced. A later check by the sister would not have enabled

her to discover that the hoses had been wrongly connected. She could be excused for failing to tell the anaesthetist that twice but, although she was busy, she could not be excused for taking no steps to have the repair checked by the manufac-

> Seven operations were per formed after the hoses had been replaced and wrongly connected, so that the proporrions of nitrous oxide and anaesthetists took part, and the question was: should any or all have been put on their guard by anything during the operations? Nothing unusual occurred during the first three. The patients for the remaining four showed varying degrees of lightness. The anaesthetists all undertook their then usual check, but that was a quantiza-tive test, which would not show up crossed hoses.

> The inquiry conclusion was that the indications were insufficient to have alerted the doctors, and the four anaesthtists were not to blame for what happened to Miss Shewan. Hers was the first operation

> on the lext day, and a surgeon, an assistant and two anaesthetists took part. It was a major operation, which began at \$.30 am and ended at 9.35 am, and what was thought was 100 per cent oxygen was administered. Miss Shewan was having difficulty in breathing and again 100 per cent oxygen administered. At some time the source was changed from the anaesthetic machine to a

> Miss Shewan suffered a cardisc arrest but her condition improved later and she was transferred to intensive care. No criticism could be levelled

at the anaesthetists for the induction and anaesthesia, which were uneventful, nor could blame be attached to the surgeon. The inquiry had not found it easy to say whether the anaesthetists should have been put on inquiry about the gases, particularly as it was easy to be

wise in hindsight.

"In the end, and in the light of the then knowledge of hoses and anaesthetic machines and the tests the anaesthetists carry out, we find neither can be criticized or blamed for not making inquiries as to gases" the report says. Another patient, who followed

Miss Shewan on the operating rable, underwent surgery with no trouble, but difficulties were experienced when "100 per cent oxygen" was administered. The patient, after treatment in intensive care, made a complete-

The inquiry concluded that overall there was a serious lack of communication between all concerned about events between December, 1974, when the hospital did not query why there

Inquiry call after advice by telephone had been no service from the on sick boy

Dr Richard Whictington, the Birmingham Coroner, called yesterday for a public inquiry after the death of a boy aged eight whose parents were said to have been refused a visit from a locum doctor. He was told that the parents

sible and speedy steps taken of Jason Bryant had made reagainst any repetition of it.

The area health authority quests for a doctor to attend rheir home in Tibbats Road, Woodgane Valley, Birmingham. should, however, have told the Department of Health as soon Four telephone calls had been as the incident occurred, in-stead of waiting until March 11, made to the South Birmineham ieputizing service, a commercial concern which stands in for The report criticizes the hosgeneral practitioners at week ends and during the night, our each time they were merely given advice by unqualified perpital and the manufacturer for slackness over the servicing of the machine. The hospital did not question why no service visit was made in December, 1974, or January, 1975, although

The calls were made over a weekend in May, and on three occasions the parents were in-structed to keep the boy cool-and to give him an aspirin. The final call brought an instruction to get in seach with their own doctor the next morning. That was done, and the boy was taken to Birmingham Chil-

a visit the fractured bose would probably have been replaced. "We find that the manufacturer and the service engineer must share a large proportion of the blame for the incident. dren's Hospital with meningitis. By that evening he was in the intensive care unit and died on the report says.
On emergency repairs, the Dr Whittington said: "Four

inquiry says a definine policy should have been laid down, and that had now been done. calls were made during the course of virtually 24 hours and It was plain from the evidence that there was more than a advice was given and doctors who have subsequently given little slackness about the colour coding of hoses before February, evidence have agreed that this If it was to be used it was inappropriate advice.

It has taken a child to diebefore an inquiry is made. It
seems from the medical evidence that if he had received must be used properly and be Referring to two deaths because hoses were transferred at Kent and Canterbury Hospitals kent and Canterbury Hospitals in March, 1973, and a "hazard warning" sent out by the Department of Health, the report says that no one at Westminster Hospital really knew anything about the Kent incident. But in view of the possible ambiguity of the letter, blame could not be attached to the anaesthetist, although it was

Mr John Mainland, director of the locum service, said the organization operated from his own home in Park Road, Mose ley. He had no medical qualifications but he employed quali fied doctors whose appointment m the service had to be approved by the committee governing general practitioners in the area. Those doctors were

treatment earlier he might well

the only people who would attend patients. He denied that the people answering the telephones would give advice Mr Mainland and four other people, who consecutively man-ned the service's telephones over the weekend of the Bryants' calls all said they had

took part in the inquiry knew about the recommendations in the Kent report, and the con-clusion was that they had a duty at least to warn hospitals in writing about such matters. not received requests from the family for a doctor, and could not remember the Bryants getting in touch with them. Three of them were medical students,

tenses thetic machine written to Westminster Hospital, the hazard warning letter might have been fully implemented and the cause of the incident effecting Miss Shewen would have been avoided. It was plain that many people who should have seen the hazard letter of June 20, 1973, and other documents never saw them.

Miners reject national pact

on free coal concessions

Educationists attack core-curriculum plan

schools to be proposed in the Government's Green Paper, which will be published next

Miss Shells Browne, senior chief inspector at the Department of Education and Science, and Dr Harry Judge, director of the Department of Educational Studies, Oxford University, argued against the imposition of a core of common subjects. They favoured the development of a much wider common framework of objectives for schools which could be met by diverse curriula rather than a curriculum.

Miss Browne told the annual conference of the Council of Local Education Authorities at Brighton, that a group of Her Majesty's Inspectors, led by a staff inspector, had written a series of papers assempting to outline the elements and crito a satisfactory and coherent secondary curriculum for all pupils. Those papers, which would be published shortly, were being tested by five local

Mr John Tomlouson, Chief Education Officer of Cheshire, one of the authorities involved said later that the scheme had been started last September in six widely differing types of secondary school and his auth-ority expected that it would continue for at leaset three to five years. It was not a new curriculum, but rather a set of very probing questions which would clarify objectives and provide new techniques for evaluating what the schools

were doing, he said. In an apparent reference to the Government's views on the core curriculum as expressed in the coming Green Paper, Miss Browne had told the conference that one of the diffi-culties in the inspectorate's work arose from the professional independence of the ins-pectors. "We have to some extent jumped the gun and

Education Correspondent

Brighton

Two leading educationists yesterday attacked the narrow concept of a subject-based core curriculum common to all schools to be translations to meet the children's different abilities

and needs. "For us this links with the maintenance of opportunity, the provision of a broad and liberaring education, and the contribution education can make to the minds, senses and values of those who will run

the country comorrow.*

That was not incompatible with "common core" term was being used, she sug-gested. Some elements would certainly be common to both approaches.

Bur the group of inspectors who had produced the new papers on the 11-16 curriculum had shupped a subject-based analysis in favour of a framework of braod beadings of types of study such as "ethical, linguistic, scientific, aes-thetic , so which more than one subject would contribute and which was capable of being interpreted in various

Dr Judge argued that what was needed was not a new contriculum but better curricula. One of the key erguments in fathour of the establishment of comprehensive schools was the increase of subjects that would bring, he said, Diversity not conformity, was then the great virtue. That confident, free-wheeling view was now being challenged by a new consensus which demanded a sinele homogeneous corriculum in achieve higher standards and greater equality.

The common core would either be so small as to be meaningless or range so widely and be so precise as to be prescriptive and threatening. Alchaugh a former comprehen-sive school head, he was deeply disturbed to find that in many comprehensive schools the interests of able children were being neglected, and the omogeneity of the curriculum was much to blame, he sug-gested. The common-core extent jumped the gun and gested. The common-core perhaps started running the mixed ability argument was wrong race", she said. "Ours working against the able child.

Hangars converted to take grain 'mountain

Agricultural Correspondent

Disused bangars are being converted to accommodate a converted to accommodate a ducers' organizations for more-possible British grain "mounthing 20,000 rounes of fish tain" while producers of gin mostly mackerel, that failed a face an annual bill of £2m in helping to reduce the EEC wine British markets. The fish of helping to reduce the EEC wine "lake". Those effects of EEC farm policy were disclosed in

The Intervention Board for Agricultural Policy, the arm of the Civil Service that ad-ministers the common agriculministers in the common agricultural policy in Britain, is installing drying and ventilating equipment in hangars and other large buildings, mostly in the east of England.

Mr Anchony Savage, the board's chief executive, said:
"We are ready to take in substantial quantities from barvest rime onwards."

There is no EEC limit to the amount of certain foods farmers can offer for purchase into intervention stores financed by the REC. Prices are fixed centrally and certain condi-tions of quality and storaga time must be met.

At the end of last month the board held 5,917 tonnes of beef, 6,262 tonnes of butter and 21,232 tonnes of skim milk powder. Almost 28,000 tonnes of butter was held under another scheme in which stocks

Last year the board paid more then £500,000 to prosold for industrial uses, s Fish that qualifies for suppression must have been offered for sale for lamms

The House of Lords Select Committee on the European Communities yesterday con-demoed a proposed EEC rule requiring the use of alcohol made from surplus farm pro-duce like wine in some spirit

The select committee after hearing evidence from trade leaders that the rule would add £2m a year to the cost of producing gin and 3 to the price of a both, o

"This proposal is another example of dealing with con mon agricultural policy of pluses through a policy of ming the consumer", it sail "The proposal represent substantial infringement manufacturers' freedom."

Intervention Board Report 196 Canad 6846 (Stationery Office, II Agricultural Surpluses and EA Alcohol (Stationery office, 654)

GLC transport plan aims at revitalizing dockland area

A four-year plan for essential road and raid improvements in East London was outlined yesterday by Greater London Council as part of its policy for revitalizing the dockdands.

made clear that the plan is not just another scheme floated for debate and consultation but a definite statement of intention. It will go before the council's planning and communications policy committee next week and s virtually certain to be en-

Exchequer.

Miss Shelzen Roberts, the committee chairman, indicated that they were not prepared to dance attendance upon either the Goverment or the dockdands joint committee, which represents the GLC and the five dockland boroughs. If necessary, it was suggested, the council would go it alone.

for Mr Shore. Secretary of State for the Environment, to The Government should make up its mind about how much financial backing it was prepared to give, and when. Last Tuesday, Mr Shore told the council that the extra £17m allocated to London for innercity renewals could not be spent start on the Underground ex-tension. With costs estimated at nearly £100m for the Charing Cross to Pencharch Street sec-tion, and more than £200m for that between Fenchurch Street and Thamesmead, it would be unrealistic to expect it to be given high priority.

But the plan does call for some work on the line to begin immediately, notable the pro-posed Woolwich - Silvertown tunnel, which would relieve one of the area's historic disadvantages, poor communications between the north and south river banks. The line through the tunnel would connect with British Rail's North Woolwich line, which would be transferred to London Transport.

The other main public transport project would be the improvement and renovation of the east London Underground Line between New Cross and Shoreditch and its extension to Liverpool Street. In the long term the council would also like to see a further extension from New Cross to Lewisham, and a new line westward from Strat-ford to link with the North London Line from Broad Street to Richmond. ..

The council's road proposals do not envisage any large scale new routes but concentrate mainly on relieving borrienecks, notably on the north side of Tower Bridge, the southern and of the Rotherithe Tunnel, and the approaches to the A2 in Deptford and Lewisbam.

Commuter line block

Thousands of rail commuters on extending the new Under were delayed resterday when ground line eastwards from eight wagons loaded with grante chippings toppled on to the Liverpool Street to Harlow Miss Roberts admitted dis-the Liverpool Street to Harlow appointment but emphasized line after a derailment in Hert-yesterday that the present plan fordshire. No one was nurt.

Businessman sentenced for corruption Ivor Leslie Cook, aged 43

businessman with interest

investment, a garage, groo

store and restaurant, please guilty at Cardiff Crown Co yesterda yto three charges corruption. He was senten to 12 months' imprisonme suspended for two years, fined £6,000. He was ordered to pay up to f towards the prosecution cos Mr Cook, of Parc Wern K Swanses, admitted giving niture and carpets to Ge Murphy, a former leader Swansea City Council and ing for accommodation i London hotel as an induced connexion with Swanses Mr Aubrey Myerson. QC ponstion business. the prosecution, said Mr had acted as a land screet development company £477,400 housing deal

Swensea Corporation
Judge Pitchford at Murphy had become a by
for corruption in west Wa Ban on driver of 9 Alfred Banwell, aged 9"

Upper Weare, near Axil Somerset was disqualified. driving by Wells mag st-yesterday until he takes a He was fined £5 for car driving.

Girl murder charge Peter Colin Hunter, age a labourer, of Paradise Dovenham arket Norfolk committed in custody for at Norwich Crown Cour magistrates at Downsiam ket yesterday, charged wit murder of heidi Elien Re-aged 14, on D ebmerc aged 14, on December 15

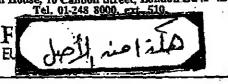
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another Ulster bus burns From Stewart Tendier Belfast on a number of occasions chaldren have been injured It was 4.30 in the afternoon resterday and the single-deck bus blocked the road outside with rubber bullets. Mothers keep a weather eye

Norgien Parade, in the Turf Lodge area of west Belfast. A group of children were noisily dissecting the smoothering rain as an army helicopter floated overhead. Drivers

inched their cars past. The bus was the fourth vehicle burnt in the area within 24 hours. Farther down the road an arm ypatrol sprinted across an intersection.

Two buses and a car were burnt on Wednesday night and, together with yesterday's buses, will go down as small, insignificant incidents in the global story of violence in Northern Ireland. However, the tale surround-

ing them is one of those classic conundrums of claim and counter-claim between the Army and the Roman Catholic areas it patrols that confront iournalists working in the province.
As far as the army record is concerned the matter is quite Sample and nousine. Early on Wednesday evening a foot patrol was fired at in Glenatina Road in the Whiterock Road area. No one was hit and fire was not returned. A search of the area began.

Stones were thrown and buses set alight. Troops fired a round of plastic bullets and the area became quiet. But vesterday another bus was

The residents of Turf Lodge paint a different picture. They say that for some time the area

Mothers keep a weather eye open for the approach of patrols and the danger that stoning may start, to which soldiers will retailate.

On Wednesday evening, they say, no shots were heard but patrols appeared in the area and soldiers climbed to the top of a block of flore known as

a block of flats known as "T block locally. The roof of the paint-and-bullet-spattered building gives a fine view of building gives a fine view of the area, abhough it is not a regular observation post.

It is alleged that soldiers were "full drunk", heaping abuse, bostles and cans on passers by. Women in the block became scared as patrols began searching the flats, and say that a number of doors of the flats were kicked in where families were away on holiday.

ilies were away on holiday. The womenfolk finally decided to protest at what was going on, but as they did so youths and children took the witiative from them, throwing stones and hijacking buses. Yesterday morping, after two teenagers had been taken away for questioning, more homes were searched and another bus

went up in flames. Two complaints have now been made to the police about of plastic bullets. The residents say they fear there will be fur-ther trouble with patrols, and detectives in Andersonstown police station will now try to unravel the situation.

Other residents in the area say unes have been working hard to build up community

By Christopher Thomas

Lord Gibson, chairman of the

Pearson Longman group, which

owned the Westminster Press

chain of newspapers, said

yesterday that he was not

opposed to a closed shop if it

was brought about by persuasion

Westminster Press is en-

gaged in a dispute with mem-

bers of the National Union of

Journalists centred on Darling-

ton over a closed shop, "I want

to emphasize", he said, "that

a 100 per cent NUJ membership

is perfectly acceptable now in

the Westminster Press group

as far as I am concerned, and

indeed exists in some of their offices."

Lord Gibson continued:

"There is no sinister intention of salary determination by of denying journalists the power other means."

and not by pressure.

Labour Reporter

Newspaper chief denies

opposing closed shop

Claim and counter-claim as 50 children affected by crop spray

More than 50 children aged between eight and 11 were taken to hospital after insecticide from a crop-spraying aircraft rhad drifted over that playground yesterday. Two of the children, from Branston County Junior School, Lincolnshire, were detained overnight with nauses, sore throats and

Parents were setting up an action committee yesterday to investigate the incident. Mrs Isabel Forsyth, whose son was one of those most seriously affected, said: "I was told by a consultant that a of the spray could cause

Lincoln County Hospital, where the children were taken, said the insectide could be very dangerous if absorbed through the skin. "But they all seemed to be completely well when they left the hospital", an official added.

Mrs Forsyth, of Silver Street, Branston, said her son still seemed ill. "He came home after lunch today with tummy-ache and a sore throat", she

The insecticide, a mixture of meta-systox and aphox, is used to get tid of aphids on wheat. Mr Colin Newman, the headmaster, said the aircraft was turning low over the play-ground when the incident happened. "Quite apart from happened. "Quite apart from the insecticide spray, I thought it rather dangerous to perform these complicated aerobatics right above a crowd children", he said.

to negotiate better pay by pre-venting them from achieving

maximum union membership.

recognize that the rates of pay

of journalists on our Darlington

newspapers are low, though I

do not believe they are low in

relation to other comparable

Darlington journalists have re-jected an offer of job-evaluation

review, and will continue the

action in support of a closed

shop.
Mr J. L. Barros, Westminster
Press managing director, said
after fresh talks between the
two sides vesterday: "The

company's proposals offer un-precedented guarantees for editors and journalists to func-

tion freely. Rather than risking

the dangers to press freedom of an editorial closed shop, we

want journalists to be assured

Leaders of the striking

provincial offices."

government transport policy Leaders of the National Union of Railwaymen told the

Government yesterday that it its transport policy.

Delegates at the NUR's annual conference, at Ayr, agreed to resist the implementation of the transport White Paper "by all means at our disposal." They called for more investment in rail, a national transport planning authority, transfer of freight fro mroad to rail, and opposition to the suggestion that county councils should run local railway see

acting general secretary, said British Rati was "the vital part of this country's social, economic and industrial structure and its future depends on sensible policies."

If the NUR failed to win the argument on investment and local services, a contraction in the industry was likely.

The union would use every constitutional and democratic meriod of persuasion available to it, but if argument with the Government could not be reached, industrial action

Seamen's strike ends

British Rail seamen on unnificial strike over an over-time claim at Harwich and Parkeston Quay agreed yester-day to resume work on passenger and cargo ships.

Miners rejected the National shire miners' president, who Coal Board's free-coel deal, has given a warning that his recommended by their exec area would strike if the urive, by 104,674 votes to scheme was agreed, said he 85,567 yesterday. Areas very pleased with the op.56/ yesterday. Areas voting against the property of allow all working in now seems that area miners eight runs a year end arrangements will continue but retired miners and widows five National Union of Minewors, included Yorkshire, Notional Union of Minewors, includ

inghamshire, South Derbyshire and Leicestershire. an effort to safeguard the in-terests of pensioners and widows. Those miners complain that they will lose up to two tons a year because the national plan Mr Joe Gormley, NUM president, said: "We have got to press the board on behalf of is inferior to present area agreements, and say any new scheme should be as good as

widows and beneficiaries who would have gained within, the the present best.
Miners in Scotland and That is our morei duty." Not all retired miners and widows benefit under area Mr Arthur Scargell, York

Union will fight

Wales, who stood to benefit under the proposed national scheme, voted for it.

"When that starts, who knows where it will stop?" would be considered.

Mr Tuck accus Mr Tuck accused Mr Rodgers, Secretary of State for

Transport of passing the buck to British Rail. He would talk to MPs sponsored by the NUR, to the British Railways Board and the other bodies "who will help us to twist or break the minister's

Mr Russell Tuck, the union's

However, both Mr Horace Cutler, the GLC leader, and

did not envisage an immediate

Councillors and officials

The plan, which includes a new Underground crossing of the Thames between Woolwich end Silvertown, will cost an estimated £55m. Assuming goverument approval, part of the cost fay be met by a transport supplementary grant from the

Mr Cutler said it was time

There was one instance where certain members of staff may have folion below the high standards required of members of the Prison Service, Mr Fowler adds. When an instruction was remove the staff in the cells in

was given to strip the cells in B wing to make room for sur-

rendering prisoners, this task was carried out with unnecree

sary zeal and with damage to

and disappearance of prisoners'

In suggesting a review of the

administration of dispersing dangerous men to selected sedure prisons, Mr Fowler say,

come under challenge. The boundaries of tolerance between

prisoners and authority have

been pressed farther and

The lirigious and politically motivated prisoner is more fre-

quently encountered than pre-

At the same time prison officers have, over the past five years, withdrawn to a peri-

pheral observer role from one

which they are primarily cus-lians belong to treat

The report says: "Uncer-

tacity and confusions now exist

Mr Fowler does not suggest that the concept of dispersing

dangerous prisoners as opposed to concentrating them together

An profficial inquiry on behalf of "Preservation of

heball of "Preservation of Rights of Prisoners (Prop)

found that the regime and the

outcome was brutality by staff.

The inquiry's chairman, Mr John Plan Mults QC, yesterday described the Fowler report as a "whitewash" and said it intensified the demand for a

full public inquiry.

be reviewed.

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Damage at Hull prison after the riot.

need for increased visilance and additional precautions, even at Hull, where the abnormal was daily regarded as normal, the

report says. Extra care in the control of prisoners in the central area of the prison backed by additional staff might well have extin-guished the trouble in its early stages or at least reduced it to manageable proportions. "Had the decisions been right, there would have been less loss of control and, on the balance of probabilities, the incident would not have escalated as it did."

The staff had shown considerable tolerance in the past towards demonstrations and concerted indiscipline believe that that was in accord with present policy. Staff perception of what was happening was much of the course of the day tended to be obscured by gested. The began might have sug-apparently free and easy relamixed ability to management the monships with prisoners.

unit, used for men under punishment or needing to be removed from association with other prisoners, which was The incident was an alleged assault on a prisoner by several

The report says there is no evidence to support the allega-tion of assault by officers on The report's finding that

there was no evidence that the staff at Hull was engaged in a policy of brutality was based in part on evidence by several

The report says the disturb ance increased markedly in scale after prisoners had got hold of copies of reports made upon them by prison staff. They contained frank assessments of a man's behaviour, attitudes and

Dry 1976 is worst year for fires on record

By Clive Borrell Last year's long, hot summer was responsible for more fires in England and Wales than during any year since 1942, when national statistics began to be

That is disclosed in the report of Mr Kenneth Holland. Inspector of Fire Services. in his annual report, published yesterday.

"The dry state of the countryside, the exceptional weather and in many areas a shortage conditions where fires were all too easily started and were often very difficult to control. The brigade resources were stretched to the full in dealing

with an unprecedented number of calls", the report says. During the year there were an estimated 272,900 small fires, including grass and heath fires, compared with 168,100 in 1975. In the same period there were 120,700 fires involving property

120.700 fires involving property and 39,400 chimney fires. The number of false alarm calls also increased. False alarms totalled 152,200, com-pared with 128,000 in 1975. Malicious false alarms accounted for 66,200 of these, A further 65,500 false calls in the minds of staff at all levels. They see the penulties of involvement with prisons, the danger of being taken hostage by men who have nothing to love. They are uncorrain about seen the use of certain about even the use of minimum force, in control terms, and about the extent of their support by higher manwere received but were made "with good intent." More than 12,000 calls resulted from faulty apparatus,

Vandalism, children playing with fire and fires caused by carelessness rose by 250 per cent in the year "greatly in-creasing the burden of work of the fire brigades to a dangerous level".

Property lost through fire teotalled £231m, an increase in value of £19m on the previous A total of 880 members of the public lost their lives m fires. Five firemen were fires. Five firemen were killed and more than three

hundred other officers were seriously injured. Raiders grab £4,000

Report of an Inquiry by the Chief Inspector of the Prison Service into the cause and circumstances of the events at HM Prison, Hull, during the period August 31 to September 3, 1976. House of Com-mons Paper 453. (Stationery Office, E. III.) Four raiders armed with shottuns snatched a £4,000 payroll rom a security van in Elder Street, Stepney, east London, yesterday.

Soviet power warning by defence chief

The outlook for national security is far from comforting, according to Admiral of the Fleet Sir Edward Ashmore, who is to retire at the end of next month as Chief of the Defence Staff. He chose the presentation of the Wilkinson word of Peace Awards in Loudon to remind his audience of the development of Soviet

military capability. In less than two decades, Sir Edward said, the Soviet Union had developed a capability "far in excess of waat it needs for defensive purposes". Each year Russia built as many nuclear submarines as the total number

Every six months, Sir Edward added, "combat aircraft equivalent in numbers and

whole front line of the RAF are produced ". On land, the Soviet Union's army resources seemed

almost inexhaustible.

To those who suggested a smaller defence hudget and commitment, the Chief of the Defence Staff pointed out that Britain had rightly, under the nuclear shield, pinned her faith in the Nato alliance. "We default on our obligations to it at our peril. Without it there can be no détente." he said.

Sir Edward presented the three swords to the Hope-kong Squadron of the Royal Navy for work among the islands and with the youth of Hongkong; to RAF Laarbruch; Germany, for out-Laarbruch, Germany, for out-tanding relationships with local communities; and to the 2nd Regiment, Royal Military Police.

for establishing and maintaining excellent communications with the people of Northern Ireland.

Rhine Army to get gas cookers computer

From Henry Stanhope Defence Correspondent

Commanders in the British Army of the Rhine should soon receive their operational brief-ings by computer, thanks to an automatic brain called Wavell. It is expected to be the most advanced battlefield control system in the world when it comes into operation in the early 1980s.

Plessey Rudar, which has heen developing the system with the Ministry of Defence, unwrapped the evocatively named Wavel; for the first time at Stoke Poges, Buckinghamshire, before tests. It will begin trials with a BAOR division next spring at the end of its first £2m development phase. Wavell is basically an auto-

matic data-processing system which will store information on the changing battle and play it back to commanders.

For the present, Wavell will be used only to store information on deployments of battle units and other operational

Chest illness linked with

By Our Medical Correspondent Children in homes where cooking is done by gas have, more chest illnesses than those where the kitchen is electric, a report in the British Medical Journal says today.

A national survey of more than 5,000 children by doctors in the department of community medicine at St Thomas's Hospital, London, has shown that children aged six to 11 are twice as likely to have bronchitis, a cough or "colds going to the chest" if their bomes have a gas cooker than if they have an electric one. The difference is more marked in girls than boys, probably because girls spend more time

The most likely explanation, the report says, is that gas fumes contain irritant oxides of nitrogen, and better ventilation of kirchens might be sufficient to dispel any risk.

in the kitchen

British Medical Journal (July 16,

Air traffic expected to grow by 7 pc a year

By Arthur Reed Air Correspondent

The number of passengers using airports in south-east England will increase from 31 million last year to 85 million by 1991, the British Airports

Authority forecast yesterday. At the seven airports operated by the authority, Heathrow, Gatwick and Stansted, and four in Scotland, plus Luton, which is owned by a authority, passenger local traffic is expected to rise by 7 per cent a year from 36 million

last year to 94 million in 1991. The growth in air transport movements over the next 15 years is expensed. 15 years is expected to be only 2 to 3 per cent. That is ex-plained by the increasing use of wide-body airliners and improvements in load factors (the number of seats on offer that are actually f.!!ed).

Mr Donald Turner, the airports authority's planning director, said: "These figures

that were apparent last year."
Passenger traffic through
the authority's Scottish airports, and Aberdeen, was expected to double from 4,200,000 last year to 8,500,000 in 1991. Mr Turner said slower growth was ex-pected in Scotland because the high proportion of domestic traffic through these airports tion from faster rail services. Over the eight airports, leisure traffic would continue to grow faster than business traffic. As a result increases were foreseen in the number of charter flights. The division between leisure and business traffic was 70 to 30 in the South-east and equal in Scut-

Cargo traffic was expected to grow slightly faster than pas-senger traffic, at a rate of 8.5 per cent a year, with the operations. Cargo through the south-eastern airports might reach 1,750,000 tonnes by 1991,

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the previous year. The number rehoused permanently during the year was 31,070, an increase of 2,840 over 1975. In London, total applications—that materialling but more families which 12,500 were accepted for reach EEF right helped there.

By the end of the year, 12,320 had been found person families who were in temporary accommodation at the start of

In the rest of England, appli-cations grew by 3,270 to 35,990 and 21,330 were accepted; Altogether, 18,750 people were found permanent homes and 2,850 were in temporary accommoderion at the end of the year. In both London and the rest of England more than nine tenths for help had live in the area accepting responsibility for some time previously.

The commonest reason for

people becoming homeless was a dispute, usually between young couples and their parents but sometimes between spouses

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Medical Correspondent Wheels service proms at Busines poisoning, a report in leal circumstances for

Busine poisoning, a report in cet says today.

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son Wheels | Pension bond scheme urged on Government

By Our Social Services Correspondent

Government is being sion bond" saving scheme for level. The idea, launched yesterday by Help the Aged, would enable people to buy £1 bonds during their working years, bringing on retirement a capital sum that could be used to buy annuities. `

Investment in bonds of £1,800 over 15 years would bring a capital sum of £5,010 on retirement, assuming compond interest at 12 per cent a year Reinvestment in an annuity, it would bring the pensioner an income of £861 a year, subject to tax, in addition to his basic

The scheme envisages tax relief only on the interest accruing to the pension bonds onservative MP for and rejects the idea of infla-field for 26 years, had tion-proofing on the ground e nisi granted against London yesterday.

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pain-killing drug'

taking a small overdose in-killing drog Distalgesic, jy in combination with may lose consciousness before medical help can oned, Dr R. M. Whittingticle today in the British

have been 25 deaths from in the West Midlands in the West Midlands in three years, some clearly but others more in the of a gesture for help. In the interval between the interval between the interval between the reling swallowed and death than 10 hours and in two ses than two hours. The se was between 10 and 50

only on prescription. It has become very popular with doctors
and patients for the treatment of
muscular and joint pains because
of its freedom from side effects,
and it is safe so long as the recommended design from tables three mended dosage (two tablets three times daily) is not exceeded. However, Dr Whittington says

an combination with accord and although the manufacturers give a warning of that in their informa-tion to doctors the risk is clearly not known widely enough. Young people who take an over-dose of phis may not have any real intention of killing themselves that with Nicolachi they may dis-

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whereas an overdose of 20 aspirins may not be disastrous, an equal number of Distalgeste tablets may fell in a very short time. Over-dosage is particularly dangerous in combination with alcohol and alcohol, the manufacturers give

Mr Callaghan foreshadows more talks with trade unions after the Chancellor's statement on pay

House of Commons

There would be no White Paper at this moment on pay policy, the Prime Minister disclosed at ques-

He had been asked by Mrs Mar-He had been asked by Mrs Margaret Thatcher, Leader of the
Opposition (Barnet, Finchley, C):
What is the position on the White
Paper? There is a note on the tape
that there will be no White Paper
tomorrow but that there will be a
statement by the Chancellor of the

Does that mean no White Paper tomorrow or no White Paper at

James Callaghan (Cardiff, North-East, Lab)—It means no White Paper at this moment. (Conservative laughter and cries of "Chicken".) I do not know what is so funny about that.

It means that having gone through the statement that the Chancellor will make tomorrow (Erizabeth 2014).

(Friday) it will be perfectly adequate if it is reproduced in Hansard the next day. That is all. Mrs Thatcher-That is a major

Mrs Thatcher—That is a major change in what we have been led to expect, that there would be a White Paper on pay policy.

It looks as if we shall now be having a minor Budget statement. Is not the answer to my first question that the Prime Minister has abandoned the idea of having a White Paper before any economic debare? Mr Callaghan-No. The statement

tomorrow will contain a statement on pay and proposals that the Chancellor will put before the House in the Finance Bill next week, and has been done in this way for convenience. As to whether there will be a

White Paper in due course that is something the Cabinet can consider later on. (Cries of "When?") In the autumn, why not? (Conservative interruptions.)

This is an awful lot of fuss about the course the conservative interruptions of the course that is something the cabinet can consider the course that is something the cabinet can consider the course that is something the cabinet can consider the course that is something the cabinet can consider the course that is something the cabinet can consider the course that is something the cabinet can consider the course that is considered to the course the very little. If I had not known the Opposition's capacity for nit-pick-ing I would have expected some congratulation on saving money on

Mr Neil Kinnock (Bedwellty, Lab)—Can he give an assurance on the basis of his discussions this week that in the pay policy in the forticoming year workers in the public sector will be at no dis-advantage by comparison with workers in the private sector? Mr Callaghan—I do not wish to anticipate the statement the Chan-

anticipate the statement the Chancellor will make tomorrow.

Mr Sydney Bidwell (Ealing, Southall, Lab)—Will he recall that says that free collective bargaining he was once the odd man out in a can be restored without undue

Surrender

securities

Opening a debate on the 25 per

cent investment currency sur-render rule, Lord Terrington said a

ried out in the United Kingdom

overseas portfolio.

He asked whether the Govern-

ment would reconsider their posi-tion regarding the 25 per cent sur-render rule bearing in mind the

importance, in the national in-terest, of maintaining London as a

major centre for the international securities industry.

He said there was growing evidence that the existing London

market in foreign currency securi-ties was in such a precarious state that some form of early relaxation

of the rule was necessary to ensure its continued existence. A sizable reduction in the surrender require-

ment would stimulate the volume of business executed thus bringing in additional oversess earnings to the benefit of the reserves.

We can (he said) no longer afford to sit around and do nothing if we wish, as I do, to see

London's position maintained as a major centre for the international

securities industry to the advan-tage of the national economy.

Lord Culien of Ashbourne (C) said

he supported Lord Terrington's proposal for a reduction to 10 per cent as a half way house to the abolition of the surrender rule.

abolition of the surrender rule.

The surrender rule was introduced in 1965 as a temporary measure. Its survival under successive administrations demonstrated that this was not a party matter. The cost to the Government if it was totally abolished would only be £174m.

Viscount Amory (C) said this rule was a rigid restriction imposed as a temporary necessity at a time of severe dollar-sterling exchange

trouble. It could only be justified by such circumstances. The current position no longer justified such a

Lord Lyell, for the Opposition,

said the surrender rule opposition, said the surrender rule was originally designed to discourage investment in foreign securities by United Kingdom cirizens. Twelve years was far too long for what-

was a temporary measure.

Britain had entered the EEC and the existence of the surrender rule was a breach of the Treaty of Rome which was tolerated on a

short-term basis. What was of con-cern was the damage and hist-drance provided to the jobs and prospects of those people con-cerned with overseas securities.

Lord McCluskey, Solicitor General for Scotland, said since 1965 the total yield to the country's reserves from the rule had been

£1,500m. During that period, the country had seldom been free of

balance of payments difficulties, and this had been the crucial factor regarded as outwelghing the disadvantages of the rule.

Having considered the matter further (he said) in present cir-cumstances the Government do not

judge it right at this stage to give up any of the yield to the reserves obtainable from the 25 per cent

It had been represented that the balance of payments had improved and this enabled the benefits to be

and this enabled the benefits to be forgone. The capital account was coming into a healthy surplus because of oil, but they were not there yet. They had to consider the

balance of payments as a whole including the capital account.

There were large external debts to be repaid. The balance of pay-ments difficulties would not dis-

appear just as soon as they moved into surplus on current account.

The Government did acknow

ledge that the present rule probably did inhibit the efficiency of

and had some adverse effect on the development of the London market

House adjourned, 8.51 pm.

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House of Lords

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tter. He has said previously that the state intervenes too if the state intervenes too vigorously on pay matters it is the public sector workers who inev-

Mr Callaghan-Yes. That is why I am in favour whenever we can get it by agreement of a pay policy. It is the fairest way of trying to distribute awards in any modern industrial society. Otherwise the public sector tends to get left out. (Interruptions.) It happens to be a democracy. The Government have democracy. The Government have to work within the confines of the agreement they can secure.

Mr Arthur Lewis (Newham, Northgoes up every three months. Mr Callaghan—Mr Lewis looks well on it. (Laughter.)

Mr Norman Tebbit (Waltham Forest, Chingford, C)—Since the social contract is involved with wage policy, can the Prime Minister Clear up the mystery of what has happened to the social contract? Last Thursday 3ir Callaghan told me that it was not intact. Yester-day, in a written reply, he told me it was not broken. What has hap-pened? Is it dead or did somebody just quietly cut its throat?

Mr Callaghan-Knowing the care with which Mr Tebbit frames his questions, I was extremely cantions in reply to the exact words he used. Hence the difference in the definition he has quoted. I have tried sever to give him an opening if I can possibly avoid it. (Laughter.)

On the social contract I have been refreshing my mind, this lunchtime, with the contents of that document. I am glad to say it is still healthy

A Conservative MP---Where is it? Mr Callaghan . . . especially in that part which says that Government policies will continue to be worked out especially in collaboration with, and after discussion with, the trade unions.

Mr Enoch Powell (South Down, UU)—Will Mr Callaghan refuse m be dismayed by the course of the Government's discussions with the TUC, and hold fast to the principle that as long as the Government maintain their policies for control of the supply of money, free collective bargaining can be restored without endangering the object of a reduced rate of inflation.

Mr Cordle and Mr Maudling seek debate

week after next on the select committee report on the conduct of MPs, Mr. Michael Foot, Lord Presibargaining in its raw state is that it makes for no sense of justice be-tween the various groups of dent of the Council and Leader of the House, said in answer to ques-

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My objection to free collective

That is why I prefer, on every

occasion I can, to get agreement with the trade union movement as

a whole, to get a joint approach to

much help as it can from the trade union movement in the months ahead. (Labour cheers.)

He later added: I am sorry we were not able to make the statement today, but the House must accept that there are considerable problems which have m be over-

Mr Callaghan—I note the jubila-tion of the Opposition at the thought that the country is moving

into a new phase. I am glad to say that the parriorism of the trade unions is much greater than that of

Mr High Dykes (Harrow, East, C)—In view of the dithering and delay and the refusal of a statement today instead of tomorrow, which is inconvenient to the House, will the Prime Minister say which of the wildters with whom

which of the ministers with whom he will discuss this this afternoon will be in favour of over 10 per

cent pay increases next year and which in favour of a maximum 10 per cent increase ?

Mr Callaghan-I suggest Mr Dykes

waits until tomorrow, but I do not see why it should be inconvenient to travel on the Tube from Harrow

tomorrow.

Mr Arthur Lewis—When he has discussions later today will he further explain about wages control and explain why the Government insist on a 12 months period before wage increases while it was announced today that Whithreads are increasing the price of beer by a penny again. They say "We do it regularly every three months".

Will Mr Callaghan try to do something about controlling

something about controlling prices, if not once every three

Mr Callaghan—Mr Lewis should put that question to the Secretary of State for Prices. There are regu-

lations and I hope the brewers are adhering to them. If not, the Secretary of State will follow it up.

months, once a year?

Conservative

Mr Reginald Maudling (Barnet, Chipping Barnet, C)—Will Mr Foot arrange for a debate as soon as possible, and certainly before the House rises for the recess.

when the Chancelor makes his statement tomorrow, that will not be the end of the matter. There has to be further discussion, with the consent of the unions, in the new situation in which we find our-selves because the country needs as Mr Foot-I have taken note, as other MPs may have done, of the report which has been issued today and I fully accept what he says that one of the major considerations to be taken into account is now soon we can debate it.

If it is the desire of the House,

and particularly those MPs con-cerned would like to have a debate before the recess we should my to Mr John Cordle (Bournemouth, East, C)—I support Mr Maudling's request for an earliest possible debate on the conduct of MPs. There appears to be findings by the select committee on events in

1965 based on a rule of conduct which was not enunciated until 1974. Mr Foot-I make no comment on bir Fool—I make no comment on anything said in the report. I have not had the opportunity of discuss-ing the possibility of a debats through the usual channels. But I would have hoped the House would be able to have a debate before the recess and I would have thought it would take place the week after next.

Exemption from VAT for subscriptions

Mr George Commingham (Islington, South, Lab) asked the Chancellor of the Exchequer in view of the Government amendment to Sche-dule 6 of the Finance Bill (No 77) tabled on July 8, what progress had been made in drafting a Treas-nry order to provide exemption from value-added tax for members' subscriptions to trade unions and to certain other organizations which at present have an option for registration under section 45 (2) of the Finance Act, 1972. Mr Robert Sheldon, Financial Secretary, Treasury—The proposed new section 45 of the Finance Act, 1972 re-introduced by this amend-ment now contains a new subsection 3. This is complemented by the proposed draft exemption

The new subsection 3 deals with subscriptions to political, religious, pullantinopic, pullosophicator patriotic organizations and tiakes clear that they will remain outside the scope of tax to the extent that the benefits of the subscription flow to the community at large, and do not consist of facilities or advantages contined to the members. The draft order would maintain the present position of trade unious which are outside the scope of tax under the existing section 45 (2).

As regards professional bodies The new subsection 3 deals with

existing section 45 (2).

As regards professional bodies and learned societies membership of which consists of individuals who have or are seeking a particular professional qualification, or whose employments are directly connected with the purposes of the organization, item 1 (b) and (c) of the draft order maintain, by exemption, the present position chosen by these organizations under the existing section 45 (2).

The EEC Sixth Directive does

Myra Hindley will stay imprisoned

There was no early prospect of the release of Myra Hindley, Mr Bryn-mor John, Minister of State, Home

Mr Elden Griffiths (Bury St Edmunds, C) had asked him: Will he make clear to the chairman of the Parole Board that the early release of Myra Hindley or of the Shepherds Bush murderers of police officers would be highly repugnant to public opinion and in particular to the police service? Mr John-He does not seem to understand that these matters are considered and then submitted to the Home Secretary. Neither has been submitted to him and on a number of occasions I have made clear in this House that there is no early prospect for the release of Myra Hindley.

Troublemakers

at the gates To call everyone around the gates of the Grunwick factory a picket was a mismomer, Mr Merlyn Rees, Home Secretary, stated. Some people were there just to cause trouble and it was these people on the whole who were seen on televi-

The Shepherds Bush murderers are in a similar position.

Abortion Bill will not get extra time medical opinion in this country,

of the Council and Leader of the House, resisted calls for parliamentary time to be allotted for further stages of the Abortion (Amendment) Bill.

(Amendment) Bill.

Mr Roger Moate (Faversham, C)—
There is a considerable log jam of private members' legislation. Can Mr Foor say, for example, in relation to the Abordon (Amendment) Bill whether he has any intention of providing extra time or Government time? ment time?

Mr Foot (Ebbw Vale, Lab)-There is a considerable log jam, and that is not abnormal. The Government have no proposal to provide extra Mr Robert Mellish (Southwark, time for private members' Bills.

Mrs Jill Knight (Birmingham, Edgbaston, C)—Will Mr Foot not make time available for the Abortion (Amendment) Bill as the baston, C)—Will Mr Foot not make time available for the Abortion (Amendment) Bill as the Government did in 1966 for the original Bill, the Abortion Bill, bearing in mind that it is the result of two years' work of the committee?

tee?
That committee has finished its work and an overwhelming number of backbench MPs have signed the motion asking for time to be given. Mr Foot—I know there is strong feeling on this on all sides of the House. But we had better proceed with the normal arrangements for private members' time before any further consideration is given to this metter.

well as the huge numbers of the public and the overwhelming majority of Labour and trade union opinion, would be enraged if the Government gave special privi-leged time for the discussion of this Bill? Will be underline once more that she Government have no intention of doing so?

Mr Foot—I recognize that there are strong views on this subject on all sides of the House. That is why the Government has proposed to deal with the matter according to the normal procedures of the

There are many MPs who recog-pize that there should always be a free vote on this matter and are contemptations of those who would do everything to ensure the matter is not finalized.

Mr Foot—It is sometimes said that because matters of this kind have been passed at second reading it must automatically be the case that time must be found for the eventual discussions on the Bill.

That has not been the case in this House before and I do not believe it could be made a rule now without infringing the rights of this matter.

Miss Josephine Richardson (Barking, Lab)—Will Mr Foot recognize the large body of distinguished Mr Mellish—Capical punishmen without infringing the rights of other MPs. He knows that as well

More effective control of police overtime

system for control of overtime in the Metropolitan Police should in any way interfere with the opera-tional needs of the force, Mr Merlyn Rees, Home Secretary, said

Mr Christopher Price (Lewisham, West, Lab) had asked if Mr Rees could say what was happening over overtime pay.

The sudden custing down of overtime pay proposed by the new Commissioner (he said) looks as thought it will cause hardely be thought it will cause hardship to individual officer's earnings. Could he discuss this with the Commis-sioner?

Mr Rees—I have not issued any directive on this. The Commis-stoner has recently decided, as a

introduce a new and more effective system for the control of overtime in the force.
The financial provision for over

time in the force as a whole this year is the same as that made last year and there is no intention that year and there is no intention that these new controls should in any way interfere with the operational needs of the force. It is a matter for the Commissioner.

Mir Michael Alison, an Opposition spokesman on home affairs (Bark-ston Ash, C)—Can the Home Secretary state categorically if any officers of the Metropolitan Police are engaged in any industrial action or are working to rule or

Mr Rees. The advice I am given that there is no working to rule.

Protecting books and other valuables in cathedrals

Government to consider introducing legislation to establish the Cathedrals Advisory Committee as a statutory body certain members of which would be nominated by a minister, and to provide deans and chapters must consult this body before disposing of books and valuables or altering the furnishings and fabrics of their cathedrals. This we would not want to do when the Synod had not yet debated this question. Government to consider introduc- state aid in return.

Lady Birk, Under Secretary for Environment—No. This is in the first instance a matter for the General Synod of the Church of Eng-

Lord Sudeley—Although Wells Cathedral is very much in the pub-lic mind, the Dean of Wells is not a member of the Synod.

member of the Synod.

A circular following the Civic Amendes Act, 1967, requires that planning anthorides should consult the Cathedrals Advisory Committee on applications concerning close neighbourhood of the cathedrals. It should be consulted on the cathedrals themselves. The deans and charges should be subordinated. and chapters should be subordinat everybody else when it can ed to some kind of state control export of works of value.

Lord Sudeley (C) asked the even if they do not receive any

On the whole, cathedrals consult the Cathedrals Advisory Committee. Planning or local government control has been closely adhered to by most cathedrals. The planning authorities do approach the advisory control than the cathedrals. advices to approximate any-sory committee to get their experi-advice. This is a matter for the General Synod and not at this point for the Lords or Commons. Cathedrals were outside the scheme for proposed state aid because it was felf they were able to provide funds for themselves by voluntary effort. The Governme bad no control over the sale of books, but the cathedrals were under the same constraints as everybody and some the same to the

Argentinian not identified

The Government would gladly look at any information made available that a former officer at an unoffi-cial detention centre in Argentina where torture was practised, had been admitted to the United Kingdom, Lord Harris of Greenwich, Minister of State, Home Office,

Lord Avelony had asked the Government for what purpose an Argentine citizen using the name Argentine citizen using the name Hugo Sofia, a former officer who was employed at the Escuela de la Mecanica Armada, in the Libertador suburb of Buenos Aires, a place frequently cited by the victims as an unofficial detention centre where torture was practised bad been admitted to the United Kingdom. Lord Harris of Greenwich-On the information so far provided by Lord Avebury it has not proved possible to identify Hugo Socia. The London Hydraulic Power and New Towns Bills were read the third time and passed. The Post Office Bill was read a second time.

Latest appointments include : Mr Andrew Smart, deputy direc-tor (weapons) Royal Aircraft Establishment, to be Director of the Royal Signals and Radar Establishment, Malvern, from January 1, in succession to Mr R. J. Lees, who is retiring. Peers agreed not to press their amendments to the Redundancy Rebates Bill with which the Dr Norman Hayes, staff inspector or norman rayes, start inspector for mathematics, science and com-puter education, Inner London Education Authority, to be deputy chief inspector with responsibility for further and higher education, Commons had disagreed.

The Greater London Council (Money) Bill was read a second time and the Detonators Bill passed the remaining stages.

Upkeep of historic houses: Tory MP attacks aristocratic lobby

Capital transfer tax as it affected the heritage was still a littler, Mr. Robert Cooke (Bristol, West, C) and Teinhesbury, C) said they were soing to create a special category of people who happened for own, or ferancial Bill began. Referring to a Government new clause dealing with tax relief for maintenance had owned, beautifus houses. He said that nothing effective had been done to review the reservers the reservers the reservers the tense did not apply in them. recipized to maintain them.

Mr Joel Barnett, Chief Secretary to the Treasury (Heywood and Roy-ton, Lab), moving the new clause, ton, Lab), moving the new clause, said its purpose was to give trustees of a maintenance fund approved by the Treasury, power to elect that the income shall be assessed at the basic rate of 35 per cent and the additional rate of 15 per cent only, instead of, as at present, at the owner's highest rate of fax. This was a significant The clause gave effect to an

undertaking given in committee. The point had been made fre-quently that there should be some quently that there snown be some relief for the funds and that they should not be liable to tax at the highest rate of the person concerned. I share the concern (he said) that we should do everything possible to help to maintain historic houses in the best possible condition so that the maximum number

of people can benefit.

Mr Cooke said it was no use tinkering with the problem, as had been the case in recent years. The owners of the heritage must be left with the resources, both capital and income, to maintain it and make it accessible to an ever wider public. Unless this was done the country would be faced before long with what would become an avalanche of disasters.

Mr John Pardoe (North Cornwall.

Artisanche of disseters.

Mr John Pardoe (North Cornwall, L), welcoming the new clause, said they had all-party agreement that the heritage mattered and that it was far better to administer it in the hands of private owner-occupiers than to take it over and try to put curators in to administer it on behalf of the state.

The advice he had received from the heritage lobby was that the the heritage lobby was that the new clause would make it more attractive to set up maintenance funds for smaller houses.

becoming so out of line with Encope's and particularly with America's that they were forced to this suct of device. Nevertheless he gave the clause a gradging well come, both because it cost to much and too little. much and too little.

Mr Jeremy Bray (Motherwell and Wishaw, Lab) said he had followed with growing incredulity the Gowernment's retreat into these immense housing subsidies. He wondered whether my wealthy or high income family could now afford to be without their stately home.

He understood there were some 3,000 stately homes which qualified for relief funder this clause at the moment. Were the Government introducing any control on the listing of further stately homes?

Mr Esmead Buhner (Kidderminster, C) said they must take any crumbs that fell from the Treasury table and to the extent that the Government clause made, endowed the more attractive it was welcome.

Britain's taxation system

Cooke (Bristol, West, C) also being discussed, would widen the scope of the clause to include objects, gardens and other features

which were intrinsic with the It was the crudest self interest on the Government's part to try to keep house contents and owners together. Tourism earned this rountry over \$1,000m a year. It was estimated that if the country houses ceased to be available to that any concession, however smalls should be recognized and accepted. In this case he suspected it was small, should be recognized and accepted. In this case he suspected it was small.

The new clause was agreed to.

grave to grave tax relief for mort-grave interest for those living in accommodation provided by an employer and who at the same time were burness.

time were buying their own home for present or future use.

be people living in property made available for the nature of the job.

The residence would have to be

Mr John MacGregor (South Nor-folk, C) said he welcomed the new clause: The problem arose for people living in job related accom-

tom of that occupation.

He said those concerned would

Mr Patrick Corninck (South West Stafforbhire, C) said the Govern-ment's new clause was a fallering and halting samp, Much more needed to be done if the shutters were not to go up in many of the course, bouses and tourism was He wondered whether the real end whether the real end whether it should be possible for people to live in these bouses without wishing upon them this sort of careleler series. not to suffer.

Mr. Nicholas Budgen (Wolverhammton, South-West, C) saki there was much that was intellectually discreditable in the way that the aristocracy and the owners of these beautiful houses were seeking increasingly to make for themselves some form of all-party lobby by which they relied on MPs to give them special concessivas. not to suffer...

give them special concessions.

There was no difference between the desire of a great duke and the desire of a strap marchants in Wolverhampton to leave their assets to their children.

He wanted besettful houses to be preserved but they would set they were not careful. They would set these beautiful houses were being bought for their tax concessions in just the same way as far the past agricultural land used to be bought for these tox concessions.

They should be wary of creating too many categories. The desire everybody had to leave something to their children was notife. It was not something in which the scrap dealer, grocer on candlestick

these problems would not arise in the acute form in which they were

Mr John Farr (Barborough,

prisons and borstals.

said hardstep and argush had been caused. Another group in volved were those working in

Mr Sheldon said that schoolmas

ters were covered by the fiew chause. Clergymen were a category which most deserved Parliament's inherest and concern. They had had

a particularly difficult problem

Relief for those in job-related homes Mr Robert Sheldon, Financial Secretary to the Treasury (Ashmu under Lyne, Lah), moved a new clause to grant tax relief for mortmade changes to existing tax relief in the Finance Act, 1974. Immediately after, those changes were made, such people as vicars and school teachers found their mortgage tax relief was withdrawn

Mr Robert Sheldon, Financial Secretary to the Treasury (Ashron under Lyne, Lab), moved a new clause (Leave travel facilities for the services) which, he said, exempted from income tax the cost. of travel warrants for members of the armed forces going on leave. It exempted the cash allowance equivalent to the value of the leave

Servicemen's leave was unique. Servicemen's leave was unique. They were subject to military discipline and would be committing an offence if they did not return immediately. They were subject to compulsory transfer with no warning. That special situation was ing. That special simution was worthy of relief.

Six Geoffrey Howe, chief Opposition spokesman on Treasury and economic affairs (East Survey, C), moved a new clause providing for tapering relief in capital gains tax. Under his proposal any chargeable gain would be reduced by tapering to the extent of one tenth of the gain for every completed year from the date of acquisition to the disposal date.

The new clause was discussed with another which would relief to get the benefit of the exemption it.

gains. (Conservative cheers.)
Mr David Mitchell (Basingstoke,
C) said the operation of capital
gains tax was the transfer of
wealth from the private sector into
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Mr John Pardoe (North Cornwall, L) said he was not ensmoured of the expering solution. He would much prefer to go for full indexamuch preser to go for that the Govern-tion and he hoped that the Govern-ment would be able within the foreseeable future to introduce a measure to that effect.

measure to that effect.

Mr Denzil Davies, Minister of State, Treasury (Lienelli, Lab), said there were technical problems about the new clause. It did not deal with the problem of losses. It threw the whole of the pooling arrangements for quoted shares into confusion.

The Government recognised that The Government recognized that inflation had a substantial effect in

these cases and that there was a gains and capital transfer taxes, considerable problem. They would like purpose of a new clause in his look at the problem sympathetic name was to reduce from three

Impact of inflation on capital gains tax

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Government majority, 23.

Mr David Howall, an Opposition spokesman on Treasury affairs (Guidford, C), moved a new clause (Avoldance of double taxation) to the effect first where capital gains tax was also payable on a transfer of capital, the total tax payable should be either capital transfer tax or capital gains tax, whichever was the greater. He said CTT was having a dangerous effect on small businesses gerous effect on small businesses and farms despite the Govern-ment's attempt last year to try to put right or reduce the impact of some of those effects.

Mr John Cronin (Loughborough, Lab) said the Tories were out to protect the interests of very wealthy people and this was the main basis of their objections. Mr Peter Rees (Dover and Deal, C) said that of all REC countries Britain derived the highest propor-tion of the lax take from capital

Mr Anthony Newton (Brainire, C) said the House should remove the duplication between the capital

Science report

har Denzil Dayles, Minister of State, Treasury, said the rates of capital transfer tax were much lower than the rates of estate duty. lower than the retes of estate duty.

While they could not make a complete comparison because of different asset values the yield from estate duty in 1973-74 was £412m; the estanates for 1977-78 of the yield from CTT was £320m. The rates of CTT on lifetime gifts were much lower than the rates for estate duty.

In considering the special problem of the small company and taking into account the 30 per cent business relief, the rates compared even more favourably. The Government had gone a considerable way in the reliefs they had given in recognizing the difficulties of the farmers and small businesses.

businesses.

He refused what Opposition MPs said regarding the crushing burden of CTT. The rax was spread over more people. More people paid CTT and fewer probably paid estate duty. estate duty.

The new clause was complicated

and defective in many ways. It did-not provide for losses. The new clause was rejected by 253 votes to 218 Government majority, 35. Parliamentary notices

House of Commons
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PRESENTED TO ACCOUNT

intrusions During the all right consideration of the report stage of the Crimin Law Bill Mr Arthur Davidso Parliamentary Secretary I. Officers Department (Accrings Lab), moved amendments reduce the maximum sentence i trespassing on premises of fore missions from 12 months to months. The Government (he said) or sider that a higher penalty of that would be excessive for

Another amendment he mov

to the same clause was to make necessary to obtain the conseque the Attorney General before prosecution was brought under a clause.

This consent (he said) will ge long way to ensure that caprick or frivoious prosecutions are immediately in the cations can be involved in occupation of these premises a tion. tion, Both amendments were

too many categories. The desire everybody had to leave something to their children was noble. It was not something in which the scrap dealer, grocer or candlestick maker was any different from the aristocrat. All of them wanted to leave something more than a cropper of the property of the property of the property of the welcomed the new clause but deplored the circumstances which made it necessary.

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Towards the end of the is at debate on the Bill, life Robert I roy-Silk (Ormskirk, Lab) two an amendment which, he is would remove the power of many trates to send children to passes

Mr. Brynmor John, Minister, State, Home Office (Panencial Lab), said he could not arread amendment but steps were he taken to deal with the problem Options could not ministerably closed off without alternal heuro amendation. The amendment was rejected.
83 votes in 15 Government majority, 68.

Mr Merlyn Rees, the Home Secretary (Leeds, South, Lab), said \$ Bill had 64 clauses instead of Sins second reading, and about 2 amendments had been made. Sir Michael Havers, chief Out tion spokesman on the law a ton, Wimbledon, C), said be the Minister of State would be the honorary title of "silk, tribute to his handling of the He banded over a piece of He handed over a piece of the silk, which was accepted by John.

The Bill was read a third that

House adjourned, 7.25 am-

Next week's business

The main business in the Common ment week will be: Monday: Debates on EEC doc ments relating to Energy d Community Budget, and d Regional Development Fund Tuesday: Debate on problems; large rowns and crites. Wednesday: Debata on country

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Antibodies: Improving the yield

make many mutations artificially and to test the mutations in the hope that one will have altered By Our Medical Correspondent By Our Medical Correspondent Industrial microbiologists are always on the lookout for new strains of bacteria that will give improved yields of valuable commercial products. To help them in that task, Professor David Hopwood and his colleagues at the John Innes Institute, Norwich, together with Professor Stanley Cohen, of Stanford University, have devised a simple technique in which different strains of bacteria are forced to interchange their genes. The result, with in the desired way. An alternative approach is to look at the tive approach is to look at the progeny of the very rare sexual manage in which the characteristics of both parents get mixed up and reassorted, to see whether any of the offspring are better producers than their parents. In the new technique developed at John Innes bacteria are forced into an artificial conjugation, which greatly improves the hich greatly improves the suces of obtaining desirable their genes. The result, with luck, could be a new combination of genes specifying what the industrialist wants. The rechnique has been worked. The trick is first to strip the

bacterial cells of the outer layer of their cell walls. With their own defences down, the cells are then hit with a chemical that induces the semi-naked cells to fuse to-gether. That is followed automatically by regeneration of the natural forms of Streptomyces.

When analysed genetically, however, the regenerated offspring frequently differ from their parents. At least one in a hundred and up to one in 20 of the off-

in succession to Mr William Lee, who retires.

Miss J. Holm, head of the religious studies department, Homerton Col-lege, Cambridge, to be chairman of the Schools Council's religious education committee from September 1, and Mr J. W. Hersee, chairman of the Mathematical Association's teaching committee, to be chairman of the council's mathematics committee.

Mr John Bradburn to be one of the conveyancing counsel of the Supreme Court.

spring are genetically distinguishable from the parents, thanks to the frequency of exchange of genes between the two parent chromosomes brought together by forced fusion. In normal circumstances gene exchange through sexual reproduction occurs only about once in a million.

To search for that one in a million. To search for that one in a mil-

To search for that one in a million is a task that would be quite impossible but for some time-consuming and not always successful methods. Those can be dispensed with and the whole process greatly cased when as many as one twentieth of the cells are genetically novel as after the forced-fusion technique. And among those cells ir may well be that the industrial microbiologist will find just the upstart that he is looking for in the quest for improved antiblotic the quest for improved antibiotic By Nature-Times News Service. Source: Nature 14 July (268; 171: 1977).

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Latest wills Large residue for

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Mrs Elsia Marion Wordsworth, of
Burton upon Trent, left £332,982
net. After bequests of £12,500
she left £15,000 to Gifford House,
Worthing, £10,000 each to Royal
Hospital and Home for Incurables,
Putney, and the National Trust,
and the residue to the Imperial
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our on the Streptomyces family of bacteria. Different species of that family are cultured commer-

cially for the production of many important autibiotics, including

streptomycia and the terracyclines, and an enzyme that is vital to the cane sugar industry.

The hunt for better-yielding-strains of Streptomyces operates by trial and error. A standard rechnique hitherto has been to

Latest appointments

flation policy.
Thursday: Finance Bill, progre on remaining stages.
Friday: Patents Bill and Admitistration of Justice Bill, remaining stages.

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Monday: Price Commission of
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Debate on EEC common committed cial policy. Wednesday: Debate on the conmic situation. Thursday: Criminal Law Commons amendments. Debuts air agreement with United States
Friday: Housing (Homeless Resons) Bill, committee.

Overcrowded homes

25 years ago From The Times of Tresday, Je 15, 1952

With more dwelling to occus with millions of them still less 1939 rents, and with full empty ment, people can afford to detribute themselves more evel over the stock of houses that the impoverished conditions also make for middistribute. There are still in England a Wales as many households share comprising 1,970,000 households sharing some 830,000 dwelling comprising 1,970,000 household sharing some 830,000 dwelling continue single-person household there still remain some 1,500,0 families sharing their homes—the other extreme there at 2,990,000 obviously undercrowdf dwellings, 630,000 of them believed the still at least for rooms, and 1,460,000 of the being exclusively occupied by being exclusively occupied to couples, each with at least for rooms. The picture would rather different if private real were not sufficiently low. There are not sufficiently low. There are not sufficiently low. There are that 4,650,000 households a more than one person have a more than one person bare a fixed baths at all, while \$20,00 others have to share the bathscome from a leading article on cessar figures.

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kindly since the sardine purs up with him."

Moscow, July 14.—The Soviet Union denied today that there was a serious rift be-tween Moscow and West European communist parties.

The foreign affairs weekly New Times, which last month bitterly attacked Senor Carrillo and fuelled speculation about a Soviet rift with Eurocom-munists, said today it rejoiced at each electoral success of the West European parties.

"Bourgeois propaganda, asserting that participation of communist parties in West European covernments will create 'bigger problems for the Soviet block than for Nato', does not itself believe in this thesis", the weekly

"Were it otherwise, Atlantic politicians would hardly be panic-stricken after each electoral success of communists", the article said, as summarized by Tass.

Rumnurs spread by Western propaganda concerning 'Moscow's lack of confidence' in the West European communist parties could have only one purpose-an attempt to set the communists at logger-

The Soviet Communist Party as shown by many of its deeds and policy declarations, entertains full confidence in brothers class

New Times acknowledged that some differences of analysis no one ought to forget that discussions between com-The police for Carrillo described munist patter at the police for the interfered on between Russia and on how to rid people of the control of munist parties are conducted



President Giscard d'Estaing acts as guide for visitors to the Elysée Palace, opened to the public on Bastille Day.

A rare Bastille Day look inside the Elysée

Paris, July 14 It is remarkable in this television age that so many risous sands of Parisians, with a strong contingent of foreign tourists, turn out each year to watch and cheer the traditional July 14 military parad reviewed by the head of state. Altogether 9,000 men took part in this morning's parade, in which the emphasis was on the Intervention Forces-airborne and marine units ready at short notice to show the

were drawn up on either side of the Esplanades

President Giscard d'Estaing, before marching past the official stand in front of the Ecole Militaire, with the traditional fly-past of jets drawing a tri-colour in smoke in the overcast

M Giscard d'Estaing, with the Prime Minister and the Minister of Defence on either side of him, was surrounded by representatives of the Government, Parliament, and faciliding the other bodies, include Municipality of Paris. including the

flag and defend national in-What promised to terests in any part of the another protocol over the place in the grand-stand of M Jucques Chirac, the Mayor of Paris, was

was seated in the front row, welcomed by President Giscard just after the Government, d'Estaing himself. Many had and honour was saved.

After the parade, the Presi-dent held the equally traditional reception at the Elysee Palace, at which miniters, ambassadors, generals, admirals and senior officials rubbed shoulders in temporary republican equality with many lower ranks and police constables, crowding round the mammoth

avoided. According to the Republican Protocol of 1908, hours the Presidential reswhich still obtains, the President of the Paris Council should be given the 21st place, four rows back. But M Chirac the Chirac that the council welcomed by President Ciscard welcomed by President Ciscard to the diplomatic corps, put on their Sunday best and come with bouquets of flowers. Others among the thousands that queued had to be turned

away. July 14 was celebrated in Paris and the provinces by the traditional street balls. These were staged in front of railway stations, town halls, and some fire stations. And, of course, on the site of the Bastille, where it all started.



Sandy takes down her boss's dictation accurately, then types it out from her braille shorthand. Good speeds, good page layout. Sandy says there's nothing special about that - and she's right. The fact that she's blind

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Size, Hunrid, July 14
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men, they will be represented by military defence counsellors.

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One of the defendants in next Wednesday's trial has also been

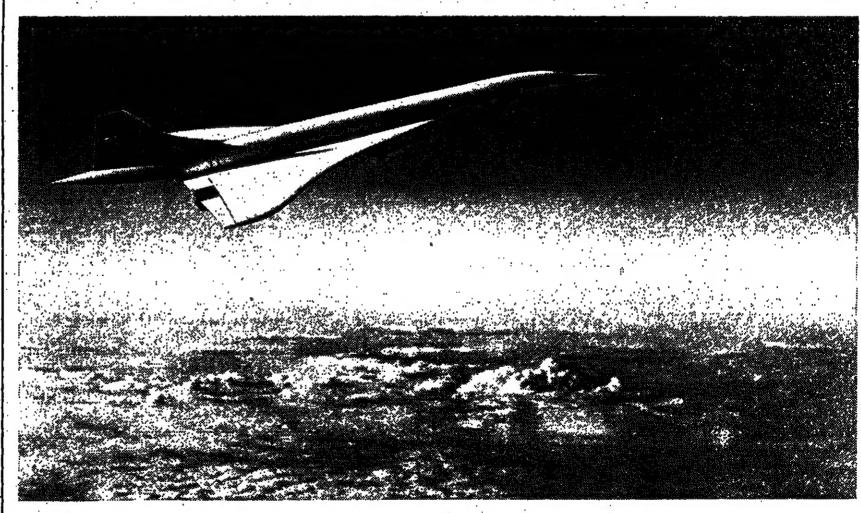
Wednesday's trial has also been indicted on another charge and will be tried again later in con-nexion with the same incident nexion with the same menerators
The police demonstrators
marched from the square in
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traditional site of pro-Franco ce policemen are consi-rallies, to the Prime Minister

all met subsequently by the Gov-erament of Senor Suarez, inclu-ded a pay rise of 10,000 peseras (about £58 at current exchange rates) per month, and retire ment on full pay.

Madrid, July 14.—The Demo Suarez today sided with the opposition Socialists in the first important vote of the new Spanish parliament.
The Socialists had proposed

that the status of parliamentary group should be limited to parties having at least 15 deputies. Small parties wanted the number reduced to five. With the support of the Centre Union, the Socialist proposal was carried by 253 votes to 61.

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ead British EEC call for 1978 ban on herring fishing

From Michael Hornsby Brussels, July 14
A proposal for an EEC ban

on direct fishing for herring in the North Sea throughout 1978 to protect repidly dwinding stocks was submitted today by the European Commission to the EEC's Council of Ministers.

The Commission has already agreed with the feed to the f proposed such a ban for the

rest of this year.

In presenting the proposal,
Mr Finn Olav Gundelach, the
Commissioner responsible for
fisheries, also informed governments that he would keep the stock position under review next year and might propose a further extension of the ban into 1979.

Britain is at present enforce

ing a unilaterally imposed ban-on North Sea herring fishing as result of the failure of EEC agriculture ministers to agree to continue equivalent EEC measures beyond the end of June. The Commission has given its tacit approval to the British ban provided it is extended beyond the end of the

Citing statistics collected by the International Council for the Exploration of the Seas, the Commission said that total herring stocks in the North Sea had fallen during the past year from 1,200,000 tonnes to no more than 300,000 tonnes, of which the reproductive component was only 150,000 tonnes. The herring catch in the North Sea has declined from 497,500 tonnes in 1972 to less than 170,000 tonnes last year, according to the Commission. In its view any further fishing for herring "would seriously threaten the survival not only

of the species but of the fishing industry itself". The proposed ban would per-

the course of fishing for other species, but would reduce the

current annual limit for such catches from 17,000 tonnes to 11,000 tonnes to The commission also recommends that the ban should mends that the ban should cover the Skagerrak, even

though it lies outside the Com-munity's 200-mile zone.

A ban in Community waters of all "industrial" fishing for herring (for example, to make animal feed) is also proposed by the Commission.

by the Commission.

Finally, the Commission proposes that fishing for Norway pout should be forbidden between August 1 and October 31 of this year in an area off the north-east coast of Britain lying between latitudes 56 N and 60 N and longitudes 9 W and 4 W.

The purpose of this ban, which was introduced for about 10 weeks earlier in the year, would be to prevent the destruction of large quantities of immature haddock unavoidably caught in the course of fishing

for pout.

Meanwhile, in Luxembourg, the European Court of Justice today made public its decision of last night ordering Ireland to suspend by midnight next Sunday unliaterally imposed fishing restrictions in Irish waters. The court ruled that the curbs were discriminatory because they affected hardly any Irish boats.

The court says that Ireland may "adopt in the sea areas within its jurisdiction any other measures intended to ensure the protection of fish stocks which are in accordance with the provisions of Community law and with the objectives of the common fisheries policy but only with the consent of the Commission.

00m fraud attempt on French bank louse, July 14.—The in Paris, which ordered an investi- French Government sought his

of a City of London to produce \$200m (£117m) h at a moment's notice the Societé Carérale from becoming the clim multi-million dollar fraud, reported here roday. y arrested two officials of tate-owned French bank yesterday as well as two people in the Toulouse

who were not identified. said the attempted fraud, Fich at least \$200m were at was uncovered when Messaca, a Frenchman, 144, walked into a City of in bank and tried to cash Societé Genéale bank for \$25m each.
London bank, unable to

ce the cash, called the

gation. The Societé Genérale today confirmed that the drafts bad been recovered. Toulouse police alleged that the two arrested bank officials, M André Peuchot and M Michel

Ruffic, were approached in April by a man who amounced that he was the European agent of oil-rich Gulf shakhs. agent of oil-rich Gulf shaikhs.
According to the police, he said the shaikhs were thinking of depositing more than 5500m with the branch for a period of about 10 years. The first payment was to be \$250m and the bank officials were promised a commission, police alleged — Agence Prance-Presse. alleged.—Agence Prance-Presse.
Remanded in custody: M
Messaca was remanded in
custody at Eow Street, London,
yesterday for a week when the

extradition on a charge that he obtained promissory notes deceit from the Societé Genérale, Toulouse, during May, Det Insp Walter Whyte, of Scotland Yard, said M Messaca, whose address was given as Grosvenor Square, Mayfair, was normally resident in Monaco. He had arrived in London on

Asking for bail, Mr Jeremy Nightingale, defending, said M Messaca had been attempting to get money for the Societé Genérale, Toulouse, and had acted in good faith. He was in a very difficult position. His authorization was con-firmed by the Societé Genérale in London and there might be some internal discrepancies at their branch in Toulouse.

Dr Owen's settlement initiative is breaking down over Cabinet and Salisbury opposition

By David Spanier Diplomatic Correspondent

it looks as if the latest British initiative on Rhodesia is going the way of all the previous efforts to reach a settlement-on the rocks.

Dr Owen, the Foreign Secretary, has had two pieces of bad news in the past few days, which makes his visit to Washington next week a rather desperate, if not despairing, attempt to find a way forward. The bad news is that some

of Dr Owen's closest Cabinet colleagues are opposed to his policy of providing a British presence in Rhodesia to hold the ring between blacks and whites before majority rule and that Mr Smith, the Rhodesian Prime Minister, means what he said this past weekend in rejecting the British propo-

nes intellectual reputation, secured backing for the idea of a British presence to supervise intellectual reputation, wealth peace-keeping force would not

become a symbol of democracy

For 12 of those years she

doubled after the merger with

the Reform Party to form the

seats from dissident members

of the former United Party which will put it within striking

distance of becoming the

the Government has not been

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a single oppressive law.

Now, three years later, the

Progressive Reform Party.

South African politics.

against

the transfer of power only with great difficulty, and that at a time, last November, when negotiations were actually taking place in Geneva.

It appears the Cabinet is opposed not just to British troops joining some outside peace keeping force, which the Foreign Secretary is under-stood to have put forward; it is also extremely sceptical about the idea of a British civil presence in the interim period

Dr Owen was feeling extremely depressed about the pros-pects last weekend, but his hopes rose momentarily on Monday when he received a report of the talks in Salisbury from Mr John Graham and Mr Stephen Low, leaders of the Anglo-American consultative team. They indicated that Mr Smith was prepared to accept It is not so surprising that a constitution based on one constitution based on the constitution

If this were so, Dr Owen might well have come back to his colleagues with new argu-ments for taking what was seen as a heavy risk. But Mr Smith sent a message to London, it was learnt yesterday, confirming the extremely neg-ative comments made by his spokesmen in Salisbury the same day that Mr Graham was

reporting a more constructive This message, sent through Mr Smith's representative in Pretoria, has put paid to the last hope that Mr Smish's criticisms were designed merely for public consumption.

Hence Dr Owen is left in the very awkward position of hav-ing his policy damped down in London and not catching fire in Salisbury. It may be that with Mr Vance, the American Secretary of State, who has recently been counselling caution, a new approach will be found. The present inclination among British policymakers is to sit tight and await develop

W. Carlot THE RELAX REPLANT SHIP

A man reaches through the broken windows of a jeweller's shop in Brooklyn, New York, yesterday after the steel grilles had been torn down.

25 years No tax increases in of fighting Rhodesian budget apartheid

Salisbury, July 14

Rhodesians were told today that despite rising defence costs and the depressed economy they would not be taxed any more heavily in the From Our Own Correspondent Johannesburg, July 14 Mrs Helen Suzman, the radical conscience of white South year ahead.

African politics and for years Mr David Smith, Minister of Finance, said when he pre-sented his annual budger that the lone parliamentary standard bearer for multi-racialism, toright celebrated her silver jubilee as an MP when she there would be no significant taxation changes, but the next 12 months would be difficult. addressed her constituents in He has budgeted for a deficit of 567,400,000 (£39,600,000) a During the 25 years since she first entered Parliament she has slight increase on the previous year's figure of \$59,700,000 (£35,100,000).

in a country which, in her words, "has the impertinence to call itself a democracy". She has been awarded more honorary doctorates by foreign He told Parliament that he no doubt the country would emerge stronger and as resilient as ever. The lack of universities than anyone else in important tax changes indicates another mini-budget in the middle of the financial stood in Parliament as the sole year. There have already been Party. But she soldlered on until has been increased three times 1974 when her party won six scars, a figure which was soon meet increased defence costs.

Economic observers believe a deficit budget today indicates that the Government is hoping for a political settlement which PRP stands to gain another six would greatly improve the financial climate and bring increased capital. Mr Ian Smith has budgeted for a total expenditure of \$816,800,000 in the next 12 months, an overall increase of only 11 per cent Spending in ministries un-connected with defence has official opposition.

Mrs Suzman acknowledges
that her persistent harrying of

vote has risen by 44 per cent. The guerrilla war is now costing more than \$200m a year, or 26 per cent of the budget.

A call for a national govern-ment to be led by Mr David Smith was made tonight by a hiberal pressure group, the National Unifying Force. Mr Lance Reynolds, its vice-presi-dent, said in a speech in Umtali that Mr David Smith should head an administration which would include two other moderate members of the Rhodesian Front, five white businessmen, three prominent Africans, eight peaceful African nationalists and three members of the NUF.

Such a group could claim support throughout the country and from Rhodesia's support Western friends, Mr Reynolds said. Whoever rejected or abused this national govern-ment would be exposed as evil men-terrorists in the full meaning of the word-intent on personal power through the

The nationalist organization led by the Rev Ndabaningi Sithole roday demanded the release of all political detainees, the dismantling of protected villages and said that all captured guerrillas should be accorded the status of prisoner-of-war under the

Geneva conventions. increase of only 11 per cent Spending in ministries ungroup would be willing to join connected with defence has its former enemy, the "colonbeen severely curtailed in the jal power", to prevent a compast year while the defence munist takeover in Rhodesia.

Electricity firm faces huge bills

Continued from page 1

delicatessens got out their candles and spirit lamps and did a brisk trade in sandwiches and water melons. After initial expressions of

panic and criticism, New Yorkers left their stifling apartments and sat on their porches during the night, quietly drinking and smoking. People with flashlamps directed the traffic which was light and

The New York Times con-trived a skimpy "blackout edition" adorned with a sombre photograph of Lower Manhattan and printed at its unaffected New Jersey plant. Power was gradually restored to the city, district by district, but officials said some people would not have electricity again until tomorrow. Car commuters who missed news of the blackout encoun-tered a working day New York steeped in holiday torpor. None

By Christopher Warman

officials said last night.

after the New York Mayor's-

statement that he had been

assured there could be no repetition of the city's blackout of

12 years ago, but there is a crucial difference in the

systems that power New York

nationalized industry with a national grid system, whereas New York's electricity is pro-

vided by several private com-panies, Britain's unified system

enables a constant watch to be

kept on loading throughout the

system, and means that a sudden extra load caused by a

of the ciry's main businesses was functioning, including the stock exchange, commodity mar-kets and banks, whose computer runs have been thrown into by their

Consolidated Edison lities in an inquiry after the last blackour in 1965. It is already coming in for its share of criticism. "We cannot tolerate in this age of modern technology a power system that can shut down the nation's largest city because of a bolt of lightning in Westchester County," Mr Beame said.

After the last blackout Con-solidated Edison had to pay our millions of dollars in compensation. Thomsands of people claimed for ruined food in freezers and 20.000 were paid for wasted theatre rickers when cancelled. performances were

The electricity company has a mechanism that is supposed to activate itself and prevent overloaded circuits. But this system failed last night. "Frankly, we don't know why it didn't work", Mrs Joyce Tucker, an assistant vice-president of the company said. "There will be autopsy after autopsy after

can be isolated, and the chain

done to prevent it.

The British system includes

a series of trip switches, making it a sample matter for the

engineer watching the various

loads at any time to isolate a

power faikure. One area may suffer but there could never

be a total blackout, experts

asserted Jast night.
Since the 1965 New York

blackout; coordination between

the various power companies has become better, but it will

not be improved sufficiently to

rule out recurrences until 1980, it is believed. British

officials characterized the New York system as "pretty

New York, July 14.—The managed to carry on during the blackout with emergency gener-arors, but Bellevue Hospital faced problems when its backup generators failed,

Doctors and nurses at Belie wae who worked in the darkness using flashlights delivered a baby girl in the maternity unit. Lives were saved by Bellevue staff who squeezed air bags by nand to revive patients on res-pirators in intensive care units. The patients had suffered respiratory failure when the back-up system failed.

Shortly before midnight, the hospital closed its casualty unit and directed all patients coming in for treatment to other hospitals until portable generators were brought by police and fire department units.

Reports indicated that the number of injuries due to the bischout was small, with only a slight increase in patients at casualty units of the various municipal hospitals.

But in East Harlem, one hospital reported a snarp increase in the number of casualty patients because of brawls, and a similar report was made by Bronx municipal hospital centre, which is in a relatively

Ghana army rule to end in two years

Accra, July 14.—Ghane's military rulers said today that they would hand over power to an elected government on July

A Government statement quo-ted by the Ghana News Agency said general elections would take place on June 15, 1979. Plans to restore an elected government were announced on uly 1 by General Ignatius Acheampong whose administration took power in a bloodless

coup in January, 1972. He said that a referendum would be held to decide on the form of government to take over from the military, and today's statement said this poll was scheduled for March 30 next

statement said: Strike reaction: Ghazar's pro-

fessional bodies recently called an indefinite strike to press demands for an early return to civilian rule. The Government responded

After two hours and 15 minuts of discussion, it was

by the two super powers. . The question is whether any understanding reached hist mouth in Washington has not since been eroded by Soviet resentment at President

Carter's human rights advocacy. by the decision to move on towards deployment of the 'Cruise' missile and by the possibl further development of the neutron bomb as a tactical

cessation of tests would affect stability because stockpiled components would have to be replaced by untried items.

Russia confident of Belgrade success The Soviet Union has an doubts about the proposals the unusaligned delegates, the West has already let it

Belgrade, July 14 Mr. Yuli: Vorontsov, the chief Soviet delegate to the East West conference here, said known that it considers di noday he was opianisaic that an acceptable basis for the meeting, which is preparing the ground for a continis year.

Terence on European security

One of the major different One of the major different and cooperation, was progress-ing satisfactorily. Good results had been achieved so far.

still to be settled is the qu tion of a finishing date for conference. The Soviet res sentatives are inisting that a

Russia wares to avoid thorough examination of thuman rights assue which to West and the neutrals in UDOD.

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Nuclear test | Senate votes ban talks set for neutron a brisk pace bomb funds

From Our Correspondent Geneva, July 14 ...

The preliminary pegotiations on a treaty banning all nuclear tests continued today, the delegations from the United States, Britain and the Soviet Union meeting this time at the offices of the American diplomatic mission.

He made the statement after diplomats reported last night

that a basic agreement on the conference agenda for the review of the 1975 Helsinki

The change in the Soviet artifude came during an informal luncheon attended by the Soviet and American delega-

tions when apparently, a tenta-tive agreement on the main

differences between Bast and

differences between East and West was arrived et.

The Russians, who in the past four weeks had twice spoken of the danger of the conference breaking down, have shown greater flexibility since the non-digned countries presented their ideas in

another effort to break the

stalemate.

Today the conference broke up early to permit the representatives of these time nations

to present their paper formally

the plenary session to-

eccord had been reached,

announced that the next session would be tomorrow, at the British diplomatic premises. At this brisk pace, some indi-cation may soon be forthcom-ing as to whether the consul-tations seem likely to open the way to a temporary cessation of underground nuclear testing

Both the Americans and Russians are apparently prepared to resist the technical arguments that even a remporary

egate, Mr Pattl Warnke, head of the United States Arms Control · and Agency, has said that whether or not the Chinese and French chose to ignore a ban-initially of limited duration in any case—is of little consequence.

From Our Own Correspo

Washington, July 14
The Senate voted funds f The Senate voted funds the development of the period tron bomb last night, with a proviso that the Preside must report on the weap tion and that Congress withen have 45 days in which veto it.

veto it.

No one expects that it was
do so, if President Cari
decides to recommend its de loyment. He said two days that he had ordered a fi evaluation of the neutrinopolitics and lead give the results of the small Congress.

An amendment banning it neutron bomb was define yesterday by 58 votes in 3 The debate lasted all in Some Senators, who was against the bomb two was ago when the subject was raised, changed their votes. One of them Senator Hube-Humphrey, said: "I have fai' in the President, and am co-vinced that he will make it-right decision." Senator Joi Stennis, chairman of the arms services committee, who services the President's decise said that this was a him important international management. (and) we should not put, crippling strings on the

The debate was on a par-works finance Bill, which cludes provisions for the best President & firm opposed to further develop-ment of breeder reactorclear proliferation with manufacture of platoniam apbecause of the environment

Bonn and Washington bury differences at talks

dangers.

From Our Own Correspondent Washington, July 14 After two rounds of official talks and a state dinner at the

White House, President Carter and Herr Schmidt, the West German Chancellor, appear to have buried their differences and established a good working relationship. The only concrete achievement of the deliberations is a decision to try to stimulate the stabled East-West negotiations on troop reduc-

Earlier disagreements over conomic policy, nuclear nonproliferation an dhuman rights have been replaced by what appears to be a gemine determination to pull together in resolving problems in the West.

This at least was the im-

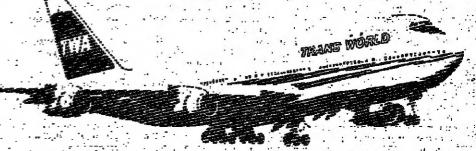
pression left by Herr Schmid when he attended a kinches at the National Press Club her today.

It was quite likely, he said that new initiatives on loro reductions in central Europe originating from the talks her would be put to the Sovie Union and its alies later the

A statement put out later the White House said small differences between (th two) governments in reces months have often become exaggerated in public accounts and both men committee themselves to be in disc touch with one another in the future to make sure that aggeration does not recur."

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General I. K. Acheampong on Republic Day, 1st July, 1977

I have come to the studios again on the occasion of the 17th anniversary of our Republic to speak to you on recent developments in the country. Since our assumption of office we of

the Supreme Military Council have en-deavoured, by our twin policies of reconciliation and self-reliance to rebuild our shattered economy and, what is more, give the average Ghanaian faith in his ability to utilise the economic resources of his country for the improvement of his

All objective observers will admit that, in the choice of people for public appointment or in the granting of loans to individuals and companies, neither former political affiliations of the parties concerned nor their ethnic origins have been the deciding factors.

A casual look around reveals that our people, as never before, are making substantial progress in both social and economic fields and climbing fast to occupy the commending heights of the economy in various directions.

Our development projects, executed so far throughout the regions, bear testimony to our yearning desire to improve the lot of all our fellow-citizens on considerations of need alone rather than of political affilia-

rejected unjust and spurious foreign debts we inherited and repaid a large proportion of those we have considered just and legitimate and have continued to pay our way in dignity and honour so far.
In recent times, however, certain groups

in the community have sought to disturb this orderly development and disrupt our effort at building a more stable and harmonious society on the pretext that food is difficult to come by and that the pro-posed "Union Government" is aimed at perpetuating military-cum-police rule in Ghana. These groups have now, in desperation, resorted to the cowardly act of rumour mongering, falsification of facts and downright incitement to rebellion.

Countrymen, what are the facts that these groups are seeking to distort? After two years of no rain, coupled with the oil-crisis which led to global inflation, is it surprising that we in Ghana, as others elsewhere, should suffer from shortage of food and other imported items? In spite of our foreign exchange constraints, we as a Government have imported foodstuffs such as maize, rice, fish and meat into the country to alleviete the plight of the ordinary man. It is, however, hoped that this year, with

the recent rains, the position will improve. And now a word about the "Union Government" proposal. Aware of the havoc and national harm which the multiparty and national harm which the multiparty system of Government brought upon the people of this land, and being sincerely anxious to avoid these evils of the past, we proposed, for the consideration of the people of Ghana "a National or Union Government" in which all of us could move as "One Nation, One people with One destiny", thus avoiding the rancour, bitterness of factionalism of our recent past. This is not an attempt by the military and the police to dominate such a Government. the police to dominate such a Government or even ask for equal representation on it.

It is for the purpose of achieving the orderly transfer of the reins of Government that the Ad-Hoc Committee was set up to collect and collate views from the people on the proposed Union or National

We have programmed that after the presentation of the report of the Ad-Hoc Committee which we expect will clearly set out the form of Government in clear terms. ne matter will be subjected to a referendum for the people of Ghana to choose between Union or National Government and other forms of Government Indeed whether the Army and the Police should be included or left out of any future Government is entirely a matter for you, the people, to decide. To prove our sincerity, we have asked the Ad-Hoc Committee to submit its report within three months. A referendum will be held within six months from that date to decide on the Union or National Government or any form of Gov-ernment. These steps we pledge to honour faithfully. Thereafter, depending on the choice of the people, a constituent assembly will be set up to draft the relevant Constitution under which elections should be held and the transfer of power effected. In order to allay the fears and anxiety of the people of Ghana and to demonstrate our sincerity on the pledge e have been making to the country that is not our intention to hold on to power indefinitely, it is envisaged that, given an uninterrupted implementation of this programme, the process of transfer of power hould be completed as soon as practicable. Fellow Ghanaians, I need not stress that this country needs peace and stability and that this can only be achieved through a systematic and orderly transfer of power

from this present regime to another. We appeal to all and sundry to co-operate to make this exercise a success. May God defend the Right!

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Israeli jail chief admits case of excessive force'

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British city, Electricity Council

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From Moshe Brilliam
Tel Aviv, July 14
Mr Haim Levi, the prisons commissioner, admitted tonight that warders had used excessive force recently against prisoners force recently against prisoners

According to a report on Israel television, the commissioner claimed the prisoners had seen someone stabbed to death about a fortnight ago and were refusing to help investi-gators. An inquiry committee will report on the incident to Dr Yosef Burg, the Minister of the Interior, this weekend.

Wives of prisoners broke into a meeting of the parliamentary interior committee in Jerusalem earlier this week and protested that their husbands had been mauled, beaten and kicked by

More than 30 MPs from various parties later wrote to the minister asking him to set up a parliamentary committee to investigate conditions in the

10 killed in Peru price rise demonstrations

Lima, July 14.—Ten people are reported to have died as a result of demonstrations against rising living costs in Peru.

army officer were killed yesterday in the coastal city of Trujillo, in a clash between students and security forces, according to unconfirmed according to reports, Four people, including two

children, were officially stated to have been killed by crossfire on Tuesday in the Andean city of Huancayo. Two of 22 seriously wounded died later. Steep rises were announced late last month in the price of

food, public, transport and petrol in an effort to placate the International Monetary Fund with whom the Peruvian Government is negotiating a standby credit of \$50m to \$100m in order to tackle a serious financial crisis.—

CIA resignation points to intelligence changes From David Cross

Washington, July 14 Mr Henry Knoche, the

deputy director of the Central dent Carter amid reports that director, to reorganize a resbuffle of senior staff in the organization is imminent. A CIA spokesman has con-

firmed that Mr Knoche, the senior career official, handed in his resignation earlier this to take effect on August 1. But he denied press reports that two senior officials of the agency's clandes-tine operations branch and 20 their subordinates were Nevertheless, Mr Knoche has

told CIA colleagues that fur ther changes are in the offing calling his "early retirement" a most difficult decision, he deputy director of the Central said that he was leaving to Intelligence Agency, has sub- clear the way for Admiral mitted his resignation to Presi Stansfield Turner, the new agency. President Carter is believed to be considering changes in the way United States intelli-

gence operations are run, Mr Knoche, who is 52 has worked for the CIA since the early 1950s. He was acting director of the agency after the resignation of Mr George Bush, the previous director, and until the appointment of Admiral Turner earlier this

year. The statement also said that a commission to draft a consti-tution would be appointed by April 19 next year and that the document itself should be ready by October. A considered assem-bly to consider the draft would appointed the following

This assembly was expected to complete its work by March, 1979, and the elections could then be held on June 15, the

by ordering doctors, lawyers and other professional people to end their strike. It withdrew legal recognition from the bodies on July 7.—Reuter.

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former minister in the Whitlam Cabinet and once a close friend of Sir John, charged that the Governor General had played a disgraceful tole in Australian history. He said he regarded Sir

The 1975 crisis began when Sir John used the little-known reserve powers of the British Crown to get rid of Mr Whitlam, whose party enjoyed a majority in the Lower House of Parliament but lacked control of the Senate.

The Senate refused to pass the Government's budget bills, while Mr Whitlan, although faced with an empty treasury, refused to call a general election to resolve the issue.

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Mr Whitlam was stunned when he was handed his dismissal notice by Sir John Kerr. What the Labour leader called a coup d'etal stirred Labour fory across the country. But Labour suffered the worst election defeat in modern Australian history a month later. Air Ferner was swent into later. Mr Fraser was swept into power with big majorities in

both Houses.
Political observers say voters felt the Labour Government had badly mishandled the economy and produced souring inflation, a business slump and rising unemployment.
Today the same economic

problems confront Mr Fraser. The Prime Minister was believed to consider that an early election might save his Government from Labour's fare as the opposition party con-

The new Governor-General, Sir Zelman Cowen, is 57. He has carned a world wide reputa-tion as a legal scholar by helping to establish legal education systems in Chana, Hongkong and the West Indies.

He also has a deep interest in the complomities of his new post, having specialized in constitutional affairs and written a biography of Sir Isaac Isaacs, who was Australia's first nativeborn Governor-General from 1931 to 1935. Like Sir Isnac Isaacs, the new

Governor-General is a Jew with a brilliant academic back-Sir Zelman was knighted last year. He was married in 1945 and has three sons aged 25, 22 and 11 and a doughter aged

Sir John Kerr said tonight his time as Governor-General had been the most stimulating and challenging period of his "I believe I have carried out my duties in fauhful observ-ance of my oath of office", he said, in a statement from Gov-

ernment House. He now intended to turn to-wards "new fields of constructive activity". He did not explain what this would involve. explain what this would involve. Sir John is reported to have completed his memoirs which he will be seeking to have published in the new year. The book is tikely to be much sought after by publishers because he is expected to give his version of the rurbulent events of 1975.—Reuter and Appende France France



Sir Zelman Cowen, the new Governor-General, and his wife

Pakistan to free all political prisoners

Zia al-Huq, the military ruler of Pukistan, said today be had ordered the release of all political prisoners. He repeated

his determination to restore the country to civilian rule in October.

A total of 18 leading policians, nine each from the former ruling Pakistan People's Party and the opposition Pakis-tan National Alliance were put in protective custody after the bloodless military coup last week Sixteen of them, including Mr Bhusto, the former Prime Minister, are still being held. General Zia did not say when they would be freed. Giving his first press con-

ference since the coup on July 5, the general soid that at the rime of the takeover he feared civil war. He promised to rule with an iron list for the next three

months to ensure law and order and to reduce political tension. There is one language

"It is sometimes necessary to make a few examples." General Zia ruled out triel for Mr Bhutto or any other politician, saying the issue should be decided by the next elected government. He also clected government. He also ordered the dissolution of all but one special court set up during Mr Bhutto's rule. The only one left would be a court trying Abdul Wali Khan, the

Pathan leader, on conspiracy charges, he said. Explaining his reason for the coup, General Zia referred to mrest, in which at least people died, which broke out after a general election last March which opposition leaders alleged had been rigged

"I feared a civil war,"
General Zia said. "The two
sides were armed to the teeth.
The Army would have been
deeply involved and it would have had to take over at a heavy price."—Reuter.

Uganda denies that judges have been arrested

From Our Correspondent Nairobi, July 14

The Uganda Ministry of Justice today denied reports that seven judges and magistrates had been arrested by Ugandan security forces after submitting letters of resignation in protest against conditions

of law continued to be observed. However, there have been complaints by judges and magis-

trates of interference in their work by the Army, and only at each other. recently they were assured by President Amin that nobody would be allowed to obstruct them.

parties Mexico Ciry, July 14.—Mex-ico's stringent political system, which has perpetuated one party in power for nearly half a century, may soon be relaxed to ease the way for the creation of a truly demo-cratic base in the country.

Mexico may

ease curbs

on political

Official hearings have begun on the prospect of according legal recognition to more political parties as part of a plan by President José Lopez Por-tillo to liberalize the system. Although Mexico is multi-party in theory, the Institu-tional Revolutionary Party has monopolized power without in-terruption since 1929 because

of tough laws which prevent other parties from taking part in elections.

Because of this, the PRI has become closely identified with the Government, and the demo-cratic system of checks and

balances between the legisla-ture and the all-powerful exec-utive has all but vanished.

As a method of creating an Opposition, the constitution provides that any registered political party gaining 14 per cent of the total vote is auto-

cent of the total vote is automatically given five deputies, plus one deputy for each half of 1 per cent of the vote beyond 1! per cent, to a maximum of 25 seats.

But the rules governing the registration of political parties are tough and, apart from the PRI, there are only three other legal parties in the country—all of them too fragmented to make any impact

Over the years, the PRI has

Over the years, the PRI has managed to build up an envi-able record in developing Mex-ico. But it has also spawned corruption, nepotism and bureaucracy because of the absence of a credible opposition to check abuses.

Some PRI members argue that the members argue that

the registration of other polit-ical parties would make Congress more representative and eliminate the need for the existence of guerrilla groups which claim that they have no channels of expression other

than force.
The hearings here are being held under the auspices of the Federal Electoral Commission which groups Interior Ministry officials and representatives of the four parties which already have legal recognition.

Apart from the PRI, the only registered parties in Mex-

ico are the National Action Party, the left-wing Popular Socialist Party formed in 1949, and the Revolutionary Party, set

up in 1954.

The main potential beneficiaries of the proposed reform are the Communists and other assorted parties covering a wide range of the political spectrum which are allowed to operate yet which are barred from taking part in elections. Other parties seaking offi-cial recognition include the

araist-onentated Socialist Party, the Mexican Democratic Party, the Mexican Party and the Sinarquistas Union, National were false and malicious. No judges had ever been arrested by security forces, and the rule

struggling Instead ogether for a common cause the unregistered parties are already lashing out Whatever the results of the

proposed reforms, the hearings have at least served to reopen political debate long been dor-mant in Mexico.—Reuter.

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He was non-committal on what is expected to be the first

policy, an invitation to New Zealand rugby players to South Africa next month.

He said be would discuss this with the New Zealand

in Athens From Our Own Correspondent Athens, July 14

The hearing on the extradition of Frank Maple, a Londoner aged 38, began today before the Arhens Appeal Court but was adjourned until Monday after the defence objected on the grounds of insufficient evidence and documentation.

Mr Maple's extradition was requested by the British and Austrian Governments. Writs were presented in court for his arrest in connexion with alleged robberies, attempted or commit-

ted, in London and an America, the Austrian ski resort.

Mr Maple when asked by the presiding judge, said he was "not the person who did these things". Asked if he wished to be replied: "It go to England, he replied:

The court will rule on the objections on Monday.

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At a sprawling, elaboratelycomouflaged camp in the district of Gash, 528 Ethiopians
are being held as prisoners of
war. Under the circumstances

mary schools and there are literary and political aducation classes for adults.

The ELF also runs orphaneges, maternity homes, family and child-care centres and refugee and rebabilitation

the ELF strongholds, Marxist doctrines are taught in open-air schools. But the front's leaders insign that it is a national democratic move-ment for liberation, whose goal is to throw off a colonial oppressor, install a democratic government and raise the liv-ing standard of the people. Similar aims are expressed by

the EPLF.

A sprit of self-sufficiency, sacrifice an humanism runs strong. In the northern Sahot district, held by the EPLF, there are underground workshops, one of which even produces artificial limbs. Military commanders prefer to conquer Ethiopian-held towns in long, wearing sieges rather than quick onslaughts that would

as possible. One administrator physically me, that ebout 700 prisoners had been politically reducated and released. Eristen, an Italian colony for 51 years meil the Second World War, was formally World War, was formally amexed by Addis Ababa in 1962. The province provides Ethiopia's only access to the Red Sea. But Eritreans argue that linguistically, culturally and historically, the land is a

separate entity. Leaders of both movements re perplexed and engry that he Soviet Union and Cuba, wo of their earliest and strongest supporters, are now siding their enemy, the Mar-xist military government in

"Under the threat of a largescale offensive by the Ethio-pian Government, which is sending more than 200,000 armed peasants to crush the rebellion, the ELF and EPLF are forgerting past clashes and holding unity tulks. In any case their ideological dif-ferences—the ELF was once regarded as solely Markist, and the EPLF Muslim—have lar-

gely disappeared.
But with the Soviet Union and moderate Arab states con-testing the hegemony of the Horn of Africa, the danger of

Uganda radio said the reports Sanjay Gandhi accused

over seized film Delbi, July 14.—Police filed charges here today against Sanjay Gandhi, the 30-year-old son of the former Prime Minister, and Vidya Charan Shukla, who was Mrs Intira Gandhi's Information Miinster. They are accused of degroying a contro-

Information Miinster. They are accused of destroying a controversial film during India's emeragency rule.

The film, a satire called Kissa Kursi Ka, or Story of a Chair, concerned self-seeking and corrupt politicians. It was produced by Mr Amrit Nahata, an MP.

The Information Minister seized the film in 1975 to prevent its distribution and the some weeks ago at a car factory controlled by Mr Sanjay Gandbi.

Correction

An agency report from Delhi in The Times of June 18 sold that the communist victory in West Bengal was the first out-right victory by a communist party in an Indian state since independence. In fact communists had won power in their own right in Kerala in 1957.

Trial of 'Gang of Four' could end in executions

Hongkong, July 14 More mass trials and denun-

ciation rallies are being organized in China's provinces against alleged supporters of the "Gang of Four" led by Chiang Ching, the widow of Mao Ise-tung. Broadcasts from Kweichow province, in south-west China, have called for public mass trials of people who had sown

dissension and disrupted production. Unnamed persons were accused of having beaten up cadres, persecuted to the control of the the poor and lower-middle pea and launched counters s to reverse verdicts, sames and launched attacks to reverse Some made use of clan and nationally relationships to stir up discord and sabotage the the cadres. Some fabricated and spread counter-revolution ary rumours, developed counter-revolutionary organizations and even committed murder

Some seduced and cor-rupted the cadres, incited distribution of farmland to individuals and 'going it alone', suboraged the mountain forests

tonomy."
The broadcasts also accused The broadcasts also accused the supporters of the "gang" of having established link with outside elements, "Gone in for corruption, theft and speculation, and stolen a lot of property belonging to the state and the collective." and the collective.

In the case of the worst law-breakers, "with whom the people are very angry and who must be dealt with according to law, we must make the masses aware of their great crimes, conduct mass discus-sion and deal with them with great fanfare at public prial so as to frighten the enemies and educate the masses." This phrasing suggests that

the mass trials might execution of the A broadcast from Kiangsi province has told of a meeting of some 10,000 soldiers and civilians at which an unnamed official was

former into the dock with his confederates". He was accused of having wanted to make Chiang

Greek law on antiquities angers scholars

Greek scholars, archaeologists and other intellectuals have, reacted sharply against a newnew low authorizing the Government to lend Greek antiquiries for display in foreign

The decision to lift 45-year ban was approved by the Government majority and opposed by all Opposition deputies. The Government may now allow the export of museum exhibits on loan to foreign museums on the basis of reciprocity. The opinion of the Archaeological Council, for decades the watchdog of Greece's ancient heritage, must be sought but is no longer binding on the Government.

Minister of Culture

Sciences, reassured Parliament

that the export of antiquities

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of cultural exchanges, on the basis of reciprocity, and after the safety of the treasures had been fully ensured. "None of the irreplaceable masterpieces, such as the Hermes of Praxi-teles, the Charioteer of Delphi, or the bronze Poseidon, will ever leave the country", he

He denied Opposition assertions that he had already assumed commitments towards the Metropolitan Museum of Art of New York. Opposition deputies said the Government had already prepared a list of 400 ancient masterpieces which would be made available for

lending abroad. The Greek Archaeological Society, in a letter to President of Parliament, urged tion. It expressed "painful sur-prise" over an action which, it

would be done in the context heritage of our nation to variety of dangers. The ancient monuments have survived for millennia and our duty is to hand them down to the coming generarions just as they were found", it declared. Dr Manolis Hatzidakis, the

leading Greek Byzantinologist, resigned as adviser to the Ministry of Culture and Ministry Sciences, in view of "the Government's persistence in weakening the control of the archaeological services in protecting this country's cultural heritage. Protests against the new law

also came from the Association of Greek Archaeologists as well as the Union of Architects who deplored the Bill as "a President of Parliament, urged capitulation of the country's the withdrawal of this legisla cultural heritage to the foreigners and to a misconception of industrial and economic defelt, "exposes the monumental velopment".

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Yorkshire want a long innings at Dean Park but fail to get it.

By John Woodcock Cricket 'Correspondent

s county since 1969. That vas in 1974. Yesterday they lost gain, Hampshire beating them in match of many fine strokes, on as good a pitch for larring as there can have been at

So. for a much shorter time, did une or two others.

But for Yorkshire to make the 262 they need to win. someone had to play a considerable immings, and no one did so. Boycott, trying to run Taylor down to third man in the seventeenth over of the innings, played on. For the fourth time this season in his thirty-fourth innings for Yorkshire, Boycott went into the book as having been bowled. Croft, the West Indian who plays for Lancashire, Hogg, also of Lancashire, and Bannister, of Cambridge University, are the others to have hit his stumps.

Love had been leb-before by the time Boycott was out and Lead-

Love had been leb-before by the time Boycott was out and Leadbeater had retired with a thigh strain. When Hampshire, the man and Sidebottom were adding \$5 in 10 overs, Hampshire the County, were in some danger. After Hampshire had filcked Roberts off his toes straight to square leg, it passed. Sidebottom sliced Rice to cover point. Bairstow and Stevenson soon went, and although Leadbeater returned (with Johnson; the Yorkshire twelfth man and a regular sprimer, as his runner) and Old made a few together. Yorkshire were left with far too many to make off the last 20 overs ever to be getting them. ever to be getting them.

When, in the morning, the opening partnership between Richards and Greenidge became worth 160 off the last ball of the 20th over, a vast score seemed within Hampshire's powers. Already in this year's Gillette Cup those two had added 321 runs without being parted, 220 of them when Hampshire' beat Noctinghamshire by 10 wickets in the first round. The certainty with which they were barring now, against all the Yorkshire howiers, suggested that Vorkshire's best chance of a wicket was by running one of

Mushtaq plays exceptional Botham's 91 innings at Bristol reroi - Normamptanshire beat are by two wickets. were four balls to spare d of a Gilbette Cup match

admost equally valuable. Thanks to these two, the Northamptorthire tallenders did not have to
do too much against Procter and
Brain.

There were 31 overs left when
Mushraq and Steele went out.
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known talents, flathing his strokes in all directions. I pondered how to set a field for him-you know that we reporters are infallible at froing that—but he was just batting too well, and any flea wos desiroyed by the next stroke. He was taught at cover to the 43rd over, the total 156. It was not a good stroke, but possibly a justifiable one, since Steele was Total (Switzs 59.2 overs) 244

B. J. Cristins did not bet.
FALL OF WICKETS: 1-4: 3-26

--155. 4-181. 5-199. 7

--213. 8-231.

BOULTN: Cristins 12-3-76-2;

Francisco 12-1-3-1;

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Umpires: C. Cook and J. Van Georan. Golf ·

Young Americans set the pace in Swiss Open Crans-sur-Slerre, Switzerland, on a package tour to play in five

Crans-sur-Sierre, Switzerland,
July 14.—Young Americans set the
pace in today's first round of the
143,000 Swiss francs tabout
£34,000 Swiss open golf championship here. Bob Byman, 22,
from North Carolina, and Stephen
Prugh, 23, from Washington, who
began at the 10th tee, had five
below par 35s.
Out in 32, along with Manuel
Calero, of Spain, was another
American, Joe Wall. 27, from California, while Joey Dills, 25, from
Oklahoma, turned id 33. All the
Americans are with a group of 47

on a pacinge tour to play in five
European events.

Jean Garalalde, of France, was
over South Africa's Andries Oostheizen, and Jamie Gonzales, of
Erazil.

After the overnight storms the
weather was hot and windless,
hence the low scoring of
6,000 feet up in the Alps.

The best British scores to the
many of Spain, was another
and Michael King. Nicholas Faldo,
Malcolm Gregson and Peter Townsend, winner of the event in 1971,
were out in 36.—Reuter.

Effects of breakdown in talks to be discussed

The Boards' main task is to prepare a brief for the cricket

The Test and County Cricket
Buard meets at Lords today to
discuss the effects on English
cricket of the breakdown of talks
between the International Cricket
Conference and the Australian,
Kerry Packer, who has signed
more than 50 of the world's top
players for a Test series later this
years. &

The Boards' main task is to
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the council delegates to the cricket
meeting of the ICC on July 26 and
27, which should finally resolve
betieved to have signed for
Packer. The Board's recommendations will be consoldered by
the Council next week.

The Board does not expect to
make its views public, since there
are several estages to go through
before the big vertict arives at
the end of the month.



Middlesex take step to final

LORD'S: Middlesex beat War-wickshire by 31 runs. Middlesex progressed to the quarter-final round of the Gillette spare but if the earlier Warwickshire batsmen had played half as well as their Nos 8 and 9 the outcome could have been different.
At 110 for seven in the fortylifth over Warwickshire were not
arracting many supporters in the
betting tent, and Middlesses were
such long odds-on as to be an
uneconomical proposition. But
Brown and Rouse had other ideas
and proceeded to give Middlesses
a nasty moment or two during the
closing stages of the match. They
added 58 in 11 overs through

takes Somerset

Then, however, wickets M. Youn. I-b-W b Graf X. Pourson, C Botham. b Sreak-

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B. Close, I-b-w, b Callen

J. S. Taylor, not out

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Today's fixtures

Boxing

to victory

their last overs. shire did not have to put themselves in

preponderance of seam bowling. I wan pleased to recorr that the Middlesex spin bowlers not only bowled their full valocation of overs, but also bowled properly, giving the ball plenty of air and taking advantage of the modicum of help that the pitch gave them. They weer also helped by some poor batches, and Waitehouse, Humpage, Hemmings and Kanhai will all want to forget the shots that brought about their downfall.

Amiss was perhaps unfortunate.

Intikhab and Baker guide Surrey out of trouble

overs, badly needed someone to hit out. Baker and lufficials did just that. They hammered Croft for 13 in another wayward over and, despite frequent appeals for leg-before-wicket, saw the match to before-wicket, saw the match the ansach-award to Clive Lloyd for its 85 on Wednesday.
Resuming at six for the loss of Batcher to Lee in the first over, Surrey record so 44, with Blowarth bitting six sours and taking 17 from an over by Croft, before he was caught at sip off Lee for 24. Edrich spread 21 runs over 24 overs before Wood had him caught at square leg at 30. Roope and Youns Ahmed nook Surrey to 105 in 33 overs before Simmons dismissed them both for the addition of one run in a 12-over spell of two for 30. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-1,

Lloyd's own decision

to react yesterday to newspaper allegations that Clive Lloyd was indispute with the club and should not have played in the Gillette Cup match against Surrey. Gillette Cup match against Surrey.

Lloyd who scored a rum-a-minute 86, was handicapped by fluid on the knee and is recovering after an operation for the removal of a cartilage while there is swelling o nihe other knee.

The Lancabsire secretary, Jimmy James, said: "It was Clive's own decision to play yesterday and he used it half an hour before the start after a test in the acts.

"We put no pressure on him at all. What is happening is that Lancashire's full Test and County cricket rules regarding pronouncements about players have applied.

"Secondly, Clive's future with Lancastine is bound up with the action the England international ruling bodies will take over his involvement with the Kerry "Thirdly, regarding him being in dispute about a book, Lancashire are considering one or two passages."

Second XI competition

Who's the prettiest now? Muhammad, wife Veronica or baby Hana? The Ali family at London Airport on their way to Tyneside to raise funds for the National Association of

Richardson will defend title in Cardiff

Alan Richardson has agreed to defend his British featherweight championship against Les Pickett, of Merthyr Tydffl, under Eddie Thomas's promotion in Cardiff at the end of September. The British Boxing Board of Control have

Boxing Board of Control have given their approval, subject to both boxers waiving the six-month clause and agreeing to defend against Dave Needham, of Nottingham.

The board have also decided that the southern area lightweight title contest between Johnny Chrydon, of West Ham, and Tommy Dunn, of Reading, shall be recognized as a fixel eliminator for the British championship, the winner to meet Charlie Nash, of Derry, No contracts have been received for the bout between Billy Aird, of Liverpool, and Richard Dunn, of Bradford, for the vacant British beavyweight ride. It is open to parse offets until August 10.

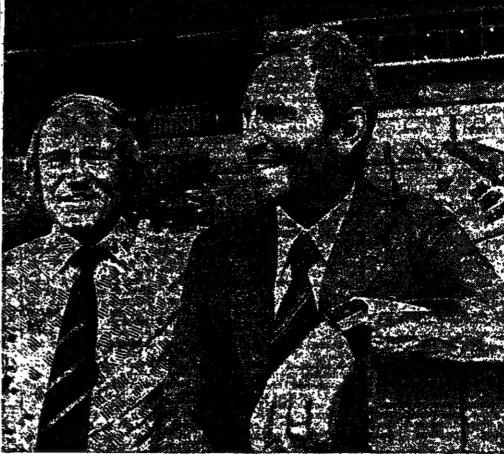
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Promoters have until August 11 u submit contracts for Henry Rhines's defence of the British welterweight champlonship against Billy Waith of Cardiff.

Mittee seeks licence Sylvester Mittee, who boxed for Britain as a lightweight in the 1976 Olympic Games, has applied From his Land of Hope and Glory to his deserts in Arabia

English oasis called Revie

Sexton took 30 sec to make up his mind



Sexton, the new United manager, with Blunstone, his assistant.

Government stop transfers . from Brazil

Sao Paulo, July 14. — Govern-ment intervention will present the transfer of Emerson Leso, Beazl's goalkeeper, or any other member of the national team our-side the country until after next year's World' Cup finals in Argentian. There have been reports here htat Valencia, of Spaln, have offered Palmebas. Leso's club, 51m for him. Brigadier Jeronimo Bastos, secretary of the National Sports Council, a department of the Ministry of Education, said today: I will not permit the sale of Leso: to Spain even for \$2m. It is not enly I, but the government itself, which will not permit the sale of any player wanted for the Braid side until after the World Cap games have finished."—Renter.

Spoarta sign Herison

Phil Henson, who was signed
by Sheffield Wednesday from
Manchester City for £50,000 in
1975, yesterday signed for Sparti,
of Roferdam, for a fee said to be
around £30,000.

Speedway COVENTRY: British champion (Land). Leg (). Lynd), 12 pts. D. Jasemb (Land 15: D. Wyer (Sheffleid), 10: J.

New £10m stadium to be built at Wolverhampton

Athletics Dublin rest for Miss Delsner

Rest Beridin, July 14.—Bast Germany's Marties Opisier, the fastest woman in the world, will take a rest from the 100 metres event in the semi-final round of the European Cap in Dublin on Sunday. After her strateging 10.88sec at the recent middenial frammarchism.

Plans to transform the Wolver hampton Wanderers amount of the most modern foothed centre in Europe were amnounced penetrics.

A filom stadium, which will house 45,000 spectators over haif of them stated, will replace the existing accommodation. Work is expected to begin in the next 18 move (made approximately 25 mounts.

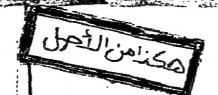
Details of the plans were given bythe chairman, Harry Marshall. He stad: "We feel inter-club Buropean foethall will eventually come and, we believe a superleague for Britain is not poo far away.

"Wolves aim to be in the fore from of football in this country and we can only do this if we insveribe proper facilities for teams and spectators."

The first phase will be a new Molineux.

under Pisso Miss Celsner will compete only in the 4x100 metres relay. Monika Homern will run in the 100 metres. Reuter.

Jubilee stand The new jubiles stand at Crystal Pajace will be opened Princess Alice, Duchess of Geographs, before the European Cup articular semi-final tomorrow.



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Ascor: and Mallard Song who firshed second to Head First at Leicester on Taesday night had apparently by far the stronger claims judged on her previous ranning.

Counters Lor and Best Offer the pould appear likely to offer the Countess Lor and Best Offer would appear, likely to offer the most resistance to Bordello, as Stuff and Nonsense's penalty for her win at Leacester seems to out her out of court. Henry Cecil's Lorensaccio filly Countess Lor its admirably consistent. But last time out, she was beaten two lengths by Lady Mason at Brighton, and I understand that there is little between Bordello and Lady Mason on the callons and Lady Misson on the gallons at Seven Barrows. at Seven Barrows.

Best Offer has not been sent out since showing a useful turn of foot to dispose of Unella at Haydock Park in April. Sir Alichiel Sobell's filly must have been pleasing Dick Hern in her most recent work, as it was on the cards that she might have run tomorrow in the Irish Guinness Oaks. But while fearing Best Offer's potential, I shall stand by the solid worth of Bordello's recent form.

In contrast to Mr Freedman. na've to supplie try in the Ridgeway Stakes indefinitly the prepello filly faces a stiff an isolate property filles have raised which should be to such an extent, that deficitly with the property faces in definite with the property faces in definitive with the property faces are previously indicated the property faces are property for against the past in the past, including three with fill wightman. The company of the past in the past, including three with fill wightman. The company of the past in the pas

Egghinswell Malden Stakes. Gob-lin, sired like Royal Harmony and Mood Sanany, by Sun Prifice, has shaped well in his last two out-ings, notably when finishing a close third to Hever in the Cham-pagne Stakes at Salisbary. Sky-liner, who showed great promise when chasing home that fast two-year-old Persian Bold, must re-main a live threat. But as Wight-man puts it: "This is the first horse Mr Home has owned that has placed us in a position to get down to business." So Goblin is the selection, Puza is the selec-tion for the second division of this race. this race.

this race.

In the Hackwood Stakes Wightman saddles that speedy filly Metair, who wan four of her five races as a two-year-old. She won a conditions race at lingfleid Park in May before finding the seven furions of the Jersey Stakes at A-vot beyond her capabilities in the soft ground. The Upham trainer is sure to find a good handicap in due course for Metair, but on this occasion 'I prefer Rings, who was placed second to Molida in the William Hill Trophy at York on the disqualification of Daring March. That race is working out extremely well as Mofida has since gained another gallant victory under top weight in a valuable handicap at Haydock Park and Daring March has comfortably outpaced some older



Bill Wightman (left) and Louis Freedman hoping to catch some of the spotlight at Newbury today.

opponents in the Home Ales Gold Tankard at Nordingham. Judged on their weights in the Stewards Cup, where Rings is set to con-cede 21b to Metair, Jeremy Hindley's filly should have the edge. At Hamilton Park's evening fix-ture Denys Smith may lift the feature event, the Hamilton Cham-pagne Stakes with his Carlisle Bell Handlean winner, Prince of Light. The Arundel raider Covenanter can win the Larkhall Stakes for Sandy Struthers. In

the Bothwell Stakes Mr Struthers and John Dunlop are represented by their Newcastle winner, Strath-clyde, But Strathclyde may not be good enough to cope with Barry Hills's Humdoleila who will be

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owners missed their by when they failed to offer for flerringswell end, " We will not sell ", said the trainer-rider, wman, after his monne rake up his state his mount gen in rivals in the Stakes at Redcar yestriding four lengths clear well-backed Hymns in his first managed, who gets about 21 to Ornea; in Sections, who gets about 21 to Ornea; in Sections, who gets about 21 to Inter he result in fourth success as a set coach in hear this season. Herrings, few month in the first horse owned by the first horse owned have been supported to be first horse owned by the first horse owned by the first horse owned have been supported to be first horse owned by the first horse will be first horse owned by the first horse will be first horse owned by the first horse will be first horse owned by the firs

The stewards held an inquiry into "apparent scrimmaging inside the last furlong", interviewing Read, rider of Hymns "n"
Arias, and Johnson, who was on
the unplaced Sugar Free, but they
decided to let the placings stand,
Salaman, trainer of Hymns "n"
Arias, soon went one better when
Super Jenme led into the final forlong of the Silver Jubilee Handicap and held on by a neck from
Love From Verona, This was a
useful confirmation for Salaman,
who trained Super Jennie specially for the recent Old Newton
Cup at Haydock Park, only to find
all his afforts thwarted by the
weather.
Shooting Senson and Gay
Parisso, who dominated the betting for the Leafholm Stakes, had
the finish entirely to themselvos,
hooting Senson, who got first
run, always just holding her rival
by a length. Doughy, supported
from 251 to 12-1, was seven
lengths away third.

After setting the pace for the first six furlongs in the Moorshulm Handicap, Honeggar came again gamely in the List quarter mile to upset a gamble from \$-1 to 9-2 on Fear Naught, Franca Vittadini, representing winning trainer, Luca Cumani, finished fifth on Honeggar over a mile at Newmarket last time out. She said, "He's a lovely ride, but a mile was two short. I think he would have won at Newmarket had it been a mile and a quarter."

Song of The Tower, in the blun and guld Henry Zeisel colours, once carried by Rheingold, sprang a 20-1 supprise in the "seller". Zeisel, who bred Song of The Tower, sent the colt to Taffy Williams after he fulled to make his reserve price at the sales.

Favourite backers suffered their sixth blow when Second Time Lucky was besten a short-head by Persian Friend in a desperate finish to the Flying Thorpe Auction Stakes.

Waldron wins double and loses objection

rounp waldron captured the spotlight at Bath yesterday with a double for Henry Candy on Cryto-meria and L'Eveque, and an un-successful objection after finishing third on the favourite, Shelbin Song, in the Malmesbury Handi-can. Song, in the Malmesbury Handicap.

Not until last Friday at Lingfield Park was Major Michael Wyatt, the Jockey Club steward, able to claim his first winner of the scason, Collapse, Her stable companion, Crytomeria, made it two with a runaway victory in the Bristol Stakes.

Major Wyatt has horses in three stables. This winner is one of six be has in the care of Candy, who commented: "Crytomeria has met some decent maidens in her previous races and, as she battles her beart out, has had some hard races. This easy win

will have done her a lot of good."

L'Eveque upset the odds when mastering Andy Rew to capture the Be Hopeful Memorial Handicap by three lengths. The odds-on Andy Rew was quickly in command, but Waldron had his mount handy on the turn for home and, passing the leader entering the final two furions, soon had the prize in safe keeping. prize in safe keeping.

"I took L'Eveque over from James Bethell on New Year's Day". Candy, whose charge belongs to Lewis van Mores, former chairman of the Epsom Grandstand Association, said, "My horse severed a hind tendon and did not run as a four-paracial in did not run as a four-year-old. In fact, I did not think he would sea a raceourse again", the owner, who won the Park Hill Stakes with

Children bury programme



GHINSWELL STAKES (Div I : Maidens : £1,024 : 6f)

bin, 9-2 Skyliner, 5-1 Prince Titian, 6-1 Join de Coopier, 18-1 Hisari, 10-1 Dasman, 13-1 Ekels Prince, 14-1 others. GEWAY HANDICAP (3-y-o filles: £1,632: 1[m) Straday Park (C), R. Hannon, 9-5 L. Pipport, I. Countest Lev. H. Cocil. 8-12 J. Mercur B. Bordelle, P. Waltaya, 8-11 P. Eddery S. East Offer, W. Hert. 5-8 W. Carson 7 Stoff and Noncomes, J. Tree, 8-7 Dury 1. Cockery, R. Scayth, 8-2 J. Cockery, R. Scayth, 8-2 J. Cockery R. Cockery, R. C. Calding, 7-9 V. Woode S. S. Cockery, R. C. Calding, 7-9 V. Woode S. S. Cockery, R. C. Calding, 7-9 V. Woode S. S. Cockery, R. C. Calding, 7-9 V. Woode S. S. Cockery, R. C. Calding, 7-9 V. Woode S. S. Cockery, R. C. Calding, 7-9 V. Woode S. S. C. Calding, 7-9 V. Woode S. C. Calding, 7-9 V. Woode S. C. Calding, 7-9 V. Woode S. C. Calding, 7-9 V. Calding, 7-9 V. Calding, 7-9 V. Calding, 7-9 V.

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T. McKeown 3
P. Tulk 6
P. Huichinson 1
T. Les 2 Covenance: 5. Dunion, 9-0
First Lift: 1. Fairburst 2-0
Onality Country, N. Adam, 9-0
Salps Lucker, Denys Smith, 4-0
M'Ladys Manur, N. Angus, 8-11
Situated, R. Hollmatend, 8-11 anter, 5-2 First Let, 5-1 Quality Count.

MILTON CHAMPAGNE HANDICAP (£1,637: 1m 40yd) O3 Level Par (C-D), N. Aggur, 4-10-0 R. Hutchinson G3 Ramaden, T. Marshall, 3-2-9 R. Marshall G1 Prince of Light (Cr. Deurs Sankh, 5-8-7 F. Tulk 12 Takachiba, I. Crass, 5-8-5 F. Leaton G1 R. Leaton G1 Prince of Light (Cr. Deurs Sankh, 5-8-7 F. Tulk 12 Takachiba, I. Crass, 5-8-5 F. Leaton G1 Prince of Light (Col.) B. Parkman, 3-7-13 F. Leaton G1 Renew Bright (Col.) B. Richmond, 6-7-7 M. Wighem G1 Renew Bright (Col.) B. Richmond, 6-Merry's Scion, 20-1 Honey Major,

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Parengeta, Charlie Gloster, Jun, Gowanlock, Peter Rabin. 67p; places, 18p, 14p, (precest, 11.50, 4), hd. W. at Newmorket. SILVER JUBILEE HANDIIN 61 16994; E1.587;
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TOTE: Win, E2p; places, 18p. 20p. 18p; dual forscart, E1.88. J. Hindley, at Newmarket St bd, 11
DARLY DOUBLE: Super Jennie, Shooting Besson, £9.90. TREBLE: Merringswell, Manageer, Persian Frank, £83.20. Case of the state Hamilton Park



Newbury selections

By Our Racing Staff
2.0 King Cappa. 2.30 Goblin. 3.0 BORDELLO is specially recommended.
3.30 Rings. 4.0 Elegante. 4.30 Glenalema. 5.0 Puzz.
By Our Newmarket Correspondent
2.0 Fairly Hot. 2.30 Royal Emblem. 3.0 Countess Lor. 3.30 Rings. 4.0
Elegante. 4.30 Tudor Crown. 5.0 Dertylin

1 000034 Forlern Scot (2), W. C. Watts, 3-9-7 D. Nicholis 6
5 022233 My Chepin (C-D), T. Fairburst, 6-9-4 S. Webster 3
202-200 Mariners Chri (0), J. Berry, 5-8-9 E. Aging (8.0), J. Etherhalten, 8-9 E. Aging (8.0), J. Etherhalten, 8-9 E. Soagrave 7 010000 Fericas Cloud (C), J. Barclay, 7-7 E. Johnson 13-8 Gernpbiy Racing, 2-1 My Chepin, 7-2 Fariern Scot, 8-1 Mariners Cir 14-1 Feriorn Cloud. 8.35 CAMBUSLANG HANDICAP (£1.175; 1+m) 9.5 BOTHWELL STAKES (£711: 1m 3f)

Hamilton Park selections

By Our Racing Staff 5.45 Corenanter. 7.10 Petra Girl. 7.35 Prince of Light, 8.5 My Shopper. 8.35 Pot Luck. 9.5 HUMDOLETLA is specially recommended.

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(US)—Collateral: (J. Austin),

100 C. Starkey (11-2)

4.00 Ans. 7.2 Star Abode, 13-1

Gemini Street, 21-1 Ampney Duke,

Frincess Glory, 11 and

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17p; dual forecast, 05p, 11, 2d, D.

Keith, at Winchester.

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21n; dual forecast, Sap. 1's., 2s. 1's.; at Lambourn.
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Turner) 8-7-7
My Eagle, ch. h. by Ballyciotic—
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Sidocure (R. Jahnson) 4-0
Sidocure (R. Jahnson) 4-0
Trieste, ch f, by Porta Bello—
Mynah Mo (Str H, Calley) 5-17
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Water Rate (T. Vaughan; 4-0
R. Street (T-1) ALSO RAN: 2-1 fay Hope of Glory, 6-1 Ryder Street, 16-2 Moon's Lass, 8-1 Janus, 13-1 Carbin, 20-1 Lething, 7-1 Ryder Street, 16-2 Moon's Lass, 8-1 Janus, 13-1 Carbin, 20-1 Lething, 7-1 Carbin, 30-1 Carbin, 30-1 Carbin, 30-1 Carbin, 10-1 Ca

Applante, Fainso, Sumape Lad, Where's Henry, Einite do Villa, Gardenia Press, Mas Muffin, 15 ran, TOTE, Win, 230; places, 14p, 16p, 21p; dual forecast, 83p, 11st, 24, B, 11th, at Lambourn

Nottingham

Riboboy now a changed character From Desmond Stoneham

French Racing Correspondent Paris, July 14

Riboboy, who just 11 days 250 ran Exceller to a neck in the Grand Prix de St Cloud, went one better today on the same course and won the Prix Maurice de Nieull from Saquito, second to Condorcet in the event last year, and the English challenger Lord Helpus.
The greatest credit must be given to the Norwegian born.
Lamorlaye-based trainer Ango.
Pens. who has completely changed the character of Riboboy since the colt arrived in France last year. Another important factor with Riboboy is the colt's successful love affair with the St Cloud track on which he has won all his four races this season.

Originally bought by Lady Beaverbrook as a foul at Newmarket in 1973 for 30,000 guiness, Eiboboy has now earned around £90,000 in prize money, and being by the great Ribot, must have a the character of Riboboy since the

sionogy me have a noney, and being by the great Ribot, must have a substantial value for stud purposes after his Group II victory today.

Affred Gibert always had Riboboy in the first three during the Mamrice do Nicull, and shortly after emering the straight the pair took up the running. Although strongly challenged by Fred Head and Saquito near the rails, in the final stages, Riboboy was still haif a length up at the post.

Lord Helpus was in sixth position for much of the race, but when he was produced to challenge in the straight by Lester Piggott, the first and second had already sewn the race up.

3.30 (3.37); PRIX MAURICE DE NHEUSL (Group II: £17,606; 1',m 11(tyds) Tigyiai
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ALSO RAN Sisson (4ch) Faich
Lizantiou, Gracious Djakon, Montuescill, & res. Uranhen, Gracions Djakon, Montor-selli, S ran. PARI-VILTUEL: 2.707: pl 1.30, 2.10, 1.807. A. Paus, 41, 41.

Withdrawal of Sirlad upsets

betting market

The withdrawal of the secondfavourite, Sirlad, from the
£100,000 King George VI and
Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes
on Saturday week has thrown the
betting market for the big Ascol betting market for the big Ascol race into confusion.

William Hill have already suspended all betting on the race.

With doubts about one or two of the remaining fancied runners we don't really know where we stand. a spokesman said. The French challenger, Crystal Palace, who bear Artaius in the Prix du Jockey-Cinb at Chamilly, is by no means certain to be in the line-up, yet only one of the remaining big-four." bookmakers offer him "with a run."

Three-day ban on Lynch at Hamilton Park

John Lynch was suspended for three days for "dangerous riding" by the Hamilton Park stewards last evening. This followed an inquiry into the Monkland Handicap, in which Lynch rode Bedford Lodge won from Chartermede and Green Mansions. Lindsay Charnock, nder of the third, objected to the winner for "bumping and taking my ground inside the final furlong." The stewards sustained the objection, placed Chartermede (irst and Green Mansion second, disqualified Bedford Lodge for interference, Bedford Lodge for interference, and placed him last.

Lynch said afterwards: "They left me a great gap and I came through on the bridle just inside the final furlong and we won very

Motor racing

Champion hopes to be back in the hunt

By John Blunsden
Jame: Hunt took a significant
step forward yesterday in his
struggle back to contention for
the world drivers' championship,
which he holds, by dominating
both the qualifying periods for
the British Grand Prix, sponsored
by John Player, on Saturday.
Hunt has proved that the latest Hunt has proved that the latest Marlboro McLaren-Ford M26 is at last responding to the develop-ment work which has been put into it during the past few weeks. He set a time of lmin 18.99sec during the first 90 minutes' practice period, then improved to lmin 18.48sec in the one hour afternoon session. This gave hin an average speed of 134.50 mph and a nine which was 0.32sec faster than his own official Silver-stone lap record set last year. stone lap record set last year.

His great 1975 rival, Niki Lauda,
is also showing much improved
form in the latest Ferrari 312T2,
which has been equipped with a
revised front suspension since its
last race at Dijon two weekends
ago. Lauda put in a great efforin the closing stages of practice
to secure the other place on the
front row of the starting grid
with just one more hour of timed
practice to come today.

Jody Scheckter, third suickess practice to come today.

Jody Scheckter, third quickest in both training periods, is hoping to improve his time during the remaining period after another change of tyres, while Mario Andretti also timiks he can do better than his current fourthquickest nme. His chances of getting back to his enstomary front row grid position suffered a schack yearerday early in the second practice session when Vittorio Brambilla's Sartees spun in front of him. He had to take to the grass in his Louis-built John Player Special and to abandon the car with its exhaustifull of grass. He hitched a ride back to the pits, sining on the side-panels of his team companion. Comman Nilsson's car. Andrem's best lap time mus earned during the side to the pits of the state of the second of the state of the pits of the state of the pits of the state companion.

best lap time was earned during the final lap of the day after switching to his spare car. switching to his spare car.

The Remailt team are making a brave effort to qualify their turbocharged 1) litre car for its first Grand Prix, but they were halted after 11 laps when its turbocharger falled. A replacement was fitted in time to take part in the second practice, but there was more delay while a missire was cured and so far Jean-Pierre Jabouille has not quite qualified for one of the 26 available starting places.

places.

There is an atmosphere of restrained optimism, however, in the Renault camp. Jabouille, in spite of his lack of practice yesterday, said that he was pleased with his car's handling and with the progress that they were making within the team. There seems little doubt that given dry conditions today he will be able to use his engine's 510 brake horse power to good advantage to improve his lap times by a useful margin.

After being a front-ranner in recent races, John Watson found the going tougher yesterday when his Brabham-Alla Romeo encountered elusive handling problems on the highspeed Silversone circuit. His team companion, Bans Stuck, however, found that his car was almost perfectly balanced diving the morning session, when he was second fastest, but the handling later deteriorated badly and he allipsed down to fifth place in the

must go faster today if they are to take part in the race are, Emerson Fittipaldi, who was Emerson Fittipaldi, who was changing an engine last night after failing to get his car to run properly all day; Vera Schuppan, who was running in a brand-new Surtees; and Emilia Villota, who became a late acceptance for qualifying after the withdrawal of Harald Erti's Hesketh.

Harald Erti's Hesketh.

Outstanding performances yesterday by newcomers to grand prix racing came from Rupert Keegan, eighth quickest in his Hesketh; Gilles Villeneuve, who was fastest of all in the preliminary qualification trials on Wednesday and is now eleventh fastest in his McLaren; and Patrick Tambay, who is twelfth quickest so far in his first Formula 1 race with a completely new Ensign.

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PRACTICE TIMES: 1. J. Hunt
(McLaren-Ford), 2:18.98; 2, N. Laude
(McLaren-Ford), 2:18.98; 3, N. Laude
(Ferrari, 1:18.03; 3, J. Schecher
(Wolf-Ford), 1:19.03; 4, M. Andreit
(JPS Louis), 1:19.03; 5, H. Sinck
(Brabham-Alin House), 1:19.24; 6,
(C. Nisson JPS Louis-Ford), 1:19.24; 6,
(J. Laude), 1:19.11; 1:19.24; 6,
(J. Laude), 1:19.25; 1:19.25; 1:19.26;
(J. Laude), 1:19.26; 1:19.26; 1:19.26;
(J. Laude), 1:19.26; 1:19.26; 1:19.26;
(J. Laude), 1:19.26; 1:20.26;
(J. Laude), 1:19.26; 1:20.26;
(J. Laude), 1:20.26;
(Surfees-Fad), 1:20.16; 1:20.36;
(Surfees-Fad), 1:20.16; 1:20.36;
(J. C. Reutemann (Ferrari), 1:20.

Purley making progress

David Purley, the racing driver who was seriously injured in a crash at Silverstone on Wednesday crash at Silverstone on Wednesday was reported yesterday to be making favourable progress in the intensive care unit of a Northampton hospital.

Purley, aged 31, from Bognor Regis, was still described as poorly however. He is suffering from severe leg and chest injuries. The world champion, James Hunt was among several drivers who wanted to visit Purley in hospital. But they were harried from doing so because visitors were still restricted to Purley's family.

Third seed loses to Miss Coles

Kitzbuhel, July 14.—Manuel Orantes, of Spain, the second seed, and Bob Lutz, of the United States, the fourth seed, were upset States, the fourth seed, were upset in the Austrian grand priv termis tournament. Tomas Smid. of Czechoslovakia, bear Orantes 7—5. Zelkjo Franulovic, of Yugoslavia, bear Lutz, 6—4, 7—5. Britain's Glymis Coles defeated the third-seeded Lesley Hunt, of Australia, 6—4, 3—6, 6—3. WOMEN'S SINGLES: Second round:
Miss C. Co.os (LE) Bost Miss L. Hent
(Augustus, C. L.) Third
round: Miss M. Carilla (US) bost Miss
M. Bendiova (Czezhosiovakia), 6—1,
C—2,—191. Equestrianism

Darragh gives Irish a speedy double

By Pamela Macgregor-Morris By Pamela Macgregor-Morris

Paul Darragh, the 24-year-old doctor's son from to Kildare who won the British jumping derby on Miss Iris Kellett's Pele in 1975, gave a newly-constituted Irish team the first victory of their British tour at Hickstead International meeting, sponsored by Emilessy, yesterday. Riding P. J. Carroll, an eight-year-old bay gelding by Scratch, for the Dundalk company, whose name the horse bears, he overtook the leader at the halfway stage, David Broome on Heatwaye, by 2.5-ec., and never looked like bring headed.

Hendrik Schultze-Siehoff

being headed.

Hendrik Schnitze-Siehoff Initished third for West Gernany on his Rome Grand Prix winner. Sarto, and the yellow-maned Mexican rider, Fernando Schderos, the 24-year-old relgaing Pan American individual champion, finished fourth with a refusal at the penultimate ballustrade on Jet Run, the horse for which his father, a wealthy businessman, paid nearly £150,000 to the national United States rider, Bernie Traurie, to mount him for the Mexican team. In fact, he was not selected, but was brought in later when one of those selected had a fatal heart attack while exercising his horse, Buth of Senderos's brothers were killed in an aircraft crash.

An upright of planks after the Both of Senderos's nothers were killed in an aircraft crash.

An upright of planks after the water soon acquired the starus of the boxey fence, and several unfortunates went all the way clear round a long course, only to fall foul of this hazard. It was just as decisive to the issue in the barrarge, though now the water was omitted and the planks became an island fence, approached from the ballustrade at an angle of 180 degrees.

The presence of the West German, Irish, Belgian and Netherlands team adds the vital ingredient of international competition to all the contests which precede the Prince of Wales Cup on Sunday, But perhaps even more inter-

Barbara was here in 1970 with her horses, before competing in the women's world championship (now defunct) in Copenhagen. His horse, Texas, who survived a twisted gut which was operated on by Barbara's husband, an Irish veterinary surgeen, is a big winner in the United States and Canada. Paul Darragh brought off a double when he won the Embassy speed stakes on the chestury mass. speed stakes on the chestnut mare. Heather Honey, on whom Brian McMahon wen the junior European championships last year. Her breeding is unknown—"the stallion strangled himself, anyway, in the fire contains a could "Michael lion strangled massell, anyway, in his first season at stud." Michael Matz was runner-up on Mighty Ruler, and John Whitaker, who put up the fastest time on Singing Wind finishing. Seec faster than the winner, had two fences down.

KINGS STAKES: 1. P. Durragh's P. J. Carrell (Ireland): 2. Harris Carpeis' Hariwaye D. Stroomell 7. Her Schultze-Siehof('s Stroomel'). (imment | STAKES: 1 P. Darrogh' Brather Honey (indans), 2, M. Male'; Menty Ruley (US); 3, J. Smart's Marking Ruley (US); 3, J. Smart's Markinan.

Ronald Massarella, the manager
of the British team, said yesterday
that he would like to see a British team sponsored, possibly next year, as long as it was done with dig-nity, and he is in favour of riders receiving financial compensation for making their horses available

est is evoked by the Mexican rider—who is just a name to those who have not seen him on the north American indoor circuit— the United States rider Michael

Matz, who has not been here since 1974, and the Canadian, John

Simpson, whose older sister Barbara was bere in 1970 with her

for making their horses available to a ream.

The point of view is substantiated by something Harvey Smith said on Wednesday at the Great Yorkshire Show. I asked him whether Grafut would ever be available to the Entish team, or whether only Olympic Star would jump in nations' cups. He replied:

"No, Grafitti is not available for team comocitions—he is too good. team competitions—he is too good a horse." Graffiri won two compe-titions, including the Grand Prix, In Anchon two weeks 200.

Yachting

American crew slip ahead of leading British pair

By John Nicholls day's races in the world women's sailing championships at Hayling Island might have decided one or other of the two class champions, but both series will have to be fought out to the finish of the last races today. The British competitors Catherine Foster and Wendy Hilder lost their overall lead in the 420 class when they finished third in yesterday's race, their joint lowest place of the week. Their points score looks good enough to win any championship, yet the American crew of Jan and her sister-in-haw Patricia O'Malley alipped ahead of them yesterday by winning their third race out of the six held so far.

for.

There is only a point and a half between the two boats, which is less than the difference between first and second place, so positions could basily be reversed today. The outcome of the final race might well depend on the ware that. Miss Foster seems at race might well depend on the weather. Miss Foster seems at her best when the going is light, while the O'Malleys have been faster when the breeze blows slightly harder, as it did yesterday. Once the O'Malleys got shead yesterday, after lying second to the Belgian pair Chambal and Anne Gorremans, at the windward mark they never looked like being caught.

At one time they had a lead of four minutes, though this had

At one time they had a lead of four minutes, though this had been cut back slightly by the finish. Mimie Currey and Deborah Chiverton, another British crew, were second and this provisional result lifted them from fourth to third in the overall points table. The result is still provisional because Miss Currey is involved in a protest against the French boat that finished fifth. While the

O'Malleys were pacing themselves at the head of the fleet, Miss Foster was struggling to gain places after a poor first beat that saw her seventh at the windward mark. Initially it was hard going, but on the final triangular round she settled down and pulled up from sixth to third.

It is beginning to look as if Lyndall Coxon, from Australia, will take the title in the single-handed Laser Class. She increased her lead slightly vesterday when she finished second to her team companion, Vanessa Dudley. The first four boats on points overnight were still in the same positions after yesterday's race, though Miss Coxon has moved ahead of the other three. If it is breezy again today, Miss Coxon should win overall, for even if Miss Dudley beats her again, she is far enough ahead to stave off this late challenge from her team companion. Although Miss Dudley started of the British bonts, sailed by Deborah Gorrod, finished fourth and retained her fourth position on points. A good result today could still lift her into third place could still lift her into third place overall, but if it is at all windy she may be struggling.

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JAMES COOK TROPHY: Royal London to North Ryde Viddle to Citipper to Lymington Spit: Race 3: 1, Purple Haze (C. Raisey: corrected 3, 59, 34; 2, Olivia Anne i R. Hawkii, 4, 05, 21; 3, Petite Hermine (R. Hermann), 4,65,05; Current team points; 1, Manche II, 70; 3, Manche II, 70; 3, Britain, 64; 4, Britany, 47;

PENZANCE: International 608
national championship: Fourth day: 1.
P. Coldouch, Loughton Brigaries; 2.
P. Millanes, Follyslowe Ferry
(Straight No Chaser): 3. 5. Owen,
Nothesd (Dogger): 4. Marks,
Weston (Muchacha: 5. M. Lingwood,
Hasilings and 51 Lectards (Albatross):
6. P. White, Felixilowe Ferry (Paramount):

Rifle shooting

Triumph for Allhallows shooting master

By Our Rifle Strooting
Correspondent

It was Ashburton Day at Bisley and Allhallows with 505 woo by making a higher score at 500 yards than Epsom, with Clifton third with 503. It was a complete triumph for Major James Turner, the shooting master at Allhallows, as they not only won the Ashburton but also the Cottesloe. Major Turner has spent all his working life at Allhallows, where he was a schoolboy himself and he coached them to victory in 1963, 1964 and 1965. This was his last term at the school.

In addition to the ordinary prizes, this year Barclays Bank, as an encouragement, put up 2500 to be spent on the top three schools to enable them to do even better in the future. Of this sum, Allhallows gets haf.

Other Public School events were the Country Life, won by Rugby, with 255 the kinder won by Other Public School events were the County Life, won by Rugby, with 255, the Kinder, won by Epsom with 256 and the London Scottish for Scottish Schools by Glenalmond with 486. The Wellington was won by Cadet T. J. K. Oulsen, of Bedford, with a possible 35, and the cadet pisrols by Sergeant D. S. Westwater, of Edinburgh Academy with 59. The

Edinburgh Academy with 59. The Ivengh went to Cadet Reed, of

Bradfield. Other scores in the Edinburgh: Victoria College 501; Uppingham 500; Marlborough 498; Cranicight 498, and Oukham 498, with Sedbergh 496, Hailey-bury 496 and Christ's Hospital 495. The Inter-Universities for service rifle shooting was won by Queen's University, Belfast by 25 points from Aberdeen and the Humphry, which goes back 100 years was won by Cambridge with 761 against Oxford's 740. There was a friendly match which had to be shot on ash ranges by permission of the Army. There is 50 much going on at this meeting, where the target rifle events start today that overseas competitors have been unable to get in any real practice. ger in any real practice

Three years ago the Royal Air Force and the Canadian forces between them got up a friendly match which they called the Can-Air. This has now grown and this year 15 teams of six competed, which was won by Canada A with 576, followed by Australia A and two RAF teams with 566, then Australia C and Ontario A. Don Draydon, of Australia, scored 100 out of 100

All three classes of the public schools v veterans were won by schools v veterans were

Tennis

| Double chance for St Paul's

The final in the boys' schools LTA champiouships for the Clark Cup at Wimbledon today will be between St Paul's and Windsor GS. St Paul's (M. A. Cottrell and A. J. Tisker) defeated UCS comfortably, but Windsor (M. Langham and C. James) dropped a set in cach of their singles against Sherborne. St Paul's have a chance of the double since they have also reached the semi-final round of the semi-final rou the junior event for the Milbouro Cup. Today they will play Harrow, FIFTH HOUND: Sherborne bent Sergengais, 2—0; St. Paul's beat St. C. Grave's 2—0. Sent-final round: Windsor bent Sherborne, 2—0; St. Paul's bent Kall, 2—0; St. Paul's bent Kall, 2—0; St. Paul's bent Kall, 2—0; St. Paul's bent Kest, 2—0; St. George's bent Helies, 2—0; Slough bent Wattord, 2—0.

Badminton

2 Danes easily through

Auckland, July 14.—The tournamenr favourities, Flamming Delfs and Miss Lene Koppen, both of Denmark, comfortably won their group matches nine-nation international badminton tournament here fonight. MEN: Group A: 1. Della (Donniark)

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Rugby Union

Injuries force Lions to play Windsor as emergency prop

Hamilton, New Zealand, Juty 14.—The British Llons have chosen a strong team, including 10 of their victorious side in the second international for their cighteenth tour match against Walkato here on Saturday.

The strength of the side is perhaps surprising for although Walkato have a strong rugby tradition, they have been geing through a lean period in recent years and are now languishing in the second division of the New Zealand national provincial champlonship.

However, the Lions may have been swayed by several improved performances by Walkato this season including a recent win over the strong Auckland side. A feature of the Lions selection is the drafting in of Welsh hooker. Windsor, as an emergency propforward. Windsor has played many games for Pontypool at propand he will play tighthead on Saturday because of injuries to Price and Cotton.

Cotton is still recovering from the neck injury he received during yesterday's match against the New Zealand Maoris and Price will be out for at least another week with a lamstring, Ferwick, the centre, has a groin injured players were. Not considered for selection. Squires, the wing, his pulled a hamstring, Ferwick, the centre, has a groin injury and Duggan, the Irish number eight, is recovering from a punch he took on his jaw. Because of the injuries, the Lions have had to take something of a gamble in including Cobner, the flank forward and pack leader. He withdraw from the team to play the Maoris with a half muscle injury but trained with the team is:

HINT SHORD ALLONS A. Evine: E. Rees. Mackley D. Bewan, D. Worpers forward, P. Wheeler C. Williams, T. Cobner, C. Bewan, D. Worpers forward, P. Ontil M. Reserves; backs, and the will play tighthead on Saturday because of injuries to Price and Cotton. ional provincial championship.

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RFU's left hand does not

Welsh RFU tour.

The Welsh Rugby Union team open their nine-match tour of Australia next summer against Western Australia in Perth on Sunday, May 21.

The party are scheduled to arrive in Perth on May 15 and play internationals against Australia at Brisbane on June 11 and Sydney on June 17, the eve of their departure.

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The tour manager will be selected during the early part of next season and if usual practice is followed, John Dawes, the undougle coach, will be appointed his assist-

May 21; ♦ Western Australia May 24; v Victoria (Melbourne)
May 27; v Sydney (Sydney)
May 30; v New South Wales
Country (ground to be arranged)
June 3; v New South Wales
(Sydney)

June 6: v Queensiand (Brisband)
June 11: Australia (Brisbane)
June 13: v Australian Capital
Territories (Canherra)
June 17: v Australia (Sydday).

Rugby League

Britain are enxious to win Sunday's match and atone for their crushing 35-5 defeat by New South Wales. "We just have to South water. We just have to finish the tour on a winning note", Watkins said after the team's training today. "The lada are really fired for a maximum effort and the Gosford crowd can

effort and the Gostori crowd can look forward to a super game from us", he added.

Ward, who missed the world championship final against Australia, returns to replace Elwell, who hooked against Australia and New South Wales. Hogan is back in the pack and will partner Bowman in the second row, while Casey,

Cycling

Mountain stage could end the monotony

Freiburg, West Germany, July
14.—The Tour de France cycle
race takes to the mountains after
today's rest day which could mean
an end to the mountains after
today's rest day which could mean
an end to the monotony that
marked the first 12 sugges. So far
the race has lacked sparkle.
Followers have been hoping day
after day for an attack on the
leaders, 22 year-old West German.
Dietrich Thuran, and the Belgian,
Eddy Merckx, 32, but riders have
preferred to take titlegs easy.
Jacques Godder, the tour
organizer, shares the general
indignation about the way riders
have been hanging back and fears
that the wait-and-see tactics could
prejudice the tour's reputation.
The final third of the tour opens
here tomorrow with a gruelling
time trial round Freiburg which
Thurau will want to win. The
voung West German, who has led
from the start of the 4,118 lalometre (2,558 mile) race, has set his
sights on a victory in front of
his fellow countrymen early in the
tour.

After Freiburg comes the start

After Freiburg comes the start of the back-breaking mountain course across the Alps, for which climbers, Lucien van Impe, of Belgium, last year's winner, and the Franchman, Bernard Thevenet, the Franchman, Bernard Thevenet, the 1975 winner, are well placed to challenge Thurau. Merckx, still just 51 seconds behind Thurau, is also within striking distance although he falled to make his expected break in the Belgium section of the race.—Reuter.

Title bout put off Madrid, July 14.—Disagreement

over financial terms for televising the European heavyweight boxing cuampionship contest here between Lucien Rodriguez, of France, and Alfredo Evangelista, of Spain, has caused its postponement from tomorrow to possibly September.

know what right is doing

Four leading northern clubs are asked the Rugby. Union to all a special meeting as soon as consider the structure of the northern merit table; ardepool Rovers, Middlesbrough, and elected for next season's ble at last weekend's RFU annual secting, and they feel they have en badly treated. West Hartle-hartlepool Rover's president, obert Hewitt, said: "The RFU's sit band doesn't seem to know that the right hand is doing, and everything is in a state of direction. The rules can only have one interpretation, but officially of the RFU place their own individual meanings on them and this leads to confusion."

At the annual meeting Bradford and Birkenhead Park, who finished bottom of the table last season, were not reelected. West Hartle-pool. Manchester, Hull and East Riding and Morley are the new clubs for next season. nave asked the Rughy. Union to call a special meeting as soon as possible to consider the structure of the northern merit table; Hardepool Rovers, Middlesbrough, Huddersfield and Sheffield falled to be elected for next season's table at last weekend's RFU annual meeting and they feel them have Hartlepool Rover's president, Robert Hewitt, said: "The RFU's left hand doesn't seem to know

No mixed-race rugby at club level itinerary -

Johannesburg, July 14.—Piet Koornhof, the South Artican Sports Minister, has devied there has been any change in South bas been any change in South
African policy on mixed-race
sport. Asked to comment on a
statement by Abdul Abass, president of the pop-racial South
African Rugby Union (SARU),
that he bud rejected a proposal
for mixed club rugby. Dr Koornhot
said last night that he bad made
no firm decision.

Mr Abass said on Monday that
Dr Koornhof had told a meeting
of South African rugby chiefs that
mixed race rugby would not be

of South African rugby criters man mixed race rugby would not be allowed at club level. Mr Abasa then said SARU would not allow its players to take part in trials for selection of a multi-racial South African team to play a world XV.

This rejection does not necessarily mean the trials for the trials for the the trials for the the trials for the the trials for the themsens of two organizations.

Members of two organizations, known as the Leopards (Black) and the Protess (Colomed) have been invited to take yart. Their artitude is not yet known.

Watkins to play in final match despite injury

Sydney, July 14.—David Wat-kins, the Great Britain coach, will same, will again play lock kins, the Great Britain coetch, will play despite a broken finger in Britain's final Rugby Lesgue tour much against Southern Division at sustand next Sunday. Watdins has been forced to play because a stomach upset has ruled out Gill, the Salford centre. Watdins, who broke the finger and dislocated a thumb against New South Wales at the Sydney Cricket ground last Saturday, will sigain turn out at full back.

Britain are sexious to win Sunacainst New South Wales but had a difficult job controlling the bril-liant winger, Hetherington, who dashed over for two tries. ORRAT SRITAIN D. Witkins; K. Floiding, L. Dri, W. Francis, J. Holmos; R. Milward (captain); S. Nash; Casoy, E. Sowman; P. Rosam J. Thompson, D. W. Pd. S. Pitchroff, Receives; P. Smith, A. Modykinson, S. Lloyd and C. Nicholis.

Jeff Grayshon, who joined Sydney's Cronulia-Sutherland club early this season, will return home after a knee operation here. He is due to enter hospital within a couple of days. A doctor confirmed today that urgent surgery was needed to repair a torn ligament and remove the cartRage. Grayshon injured the knee in a club march here last weekend. The Cronulia secretary, Arthur Wina, today telephoned Michael Lund, the chairman of Grayshon's English club, Dewsbury, with the news. Grayshon is expected to return to England two to three week after the operation.—Retter.

l Maccabiah Games

US swimmers take four gold medals Tel Aviv, July 13.—United States

swimmers won four gold medals on the first day of the tenth Maccabiah, the Jewish Olympics. Some 2,500 athletes from 34 countries will be contesting 23 sports during the eight days of the Macca-

blah Games.
On the opening day of an 18-nation football tournament, England beat Italy 10-1 and the defending champions, Israel, were held to a 2-2 draw by Venezuela. In cricket, England beat Istael by 38 rums in a 50-over match, to avenge a defeat by the hosts at

avenge a defeat by the hosts at the 1973 Games.

At the Tcl Aviv University swimming pool, the 14-year-old Mexican champton, Helen Plashinsky, prevented an all-American sweep of gold medals by winning the 100 metres free-style from the Montreal bronze medal winner, Wendy Weinberg, 19, of the Virginia University. She broke the Mexican and Games records with a time of one minute 01.15 seconds.

In the men's events, Mark Hein-

a time of one minute 01.15 seconds.

In the men's events, Mark Heinrich, of the United States Naval Academy, and San Diego California, won the 100 metres backstroke in one minute 00.57 seconds just in front of Sergio Reitzfeld, of Brazil (1.00.87).

Lance Michaelis, of Santa Clara, California, won the 100 metres breaststroke in one minute 06.52 seconds and the United States won the 4 x 200 metres free-style relay. The six American women tennis competitors won their opening matches, and showed that they will offer a strong threat to top seeds llana -Kloss, of South Africa and Israel's Paulina Peled. The six United States winners were Robin Tenner, Stacy Margolin, Jodi Applebaum, Dana Gilbert, Dona Rubin and Linda Siegeiman.

The Balkan power game over the Sahara

The decision of the Organization of African Unity to hold a special summit meeting at Lusaka in October on the Western Schara is a disclomatic defeat for Western Sahara is a displomatic defeat for Morocco and Mauritania. An advance on a similar resolution at last year's summit meeting, in that a time and a place were agreed, it more than cancelled Morocco's victory" in having the representatives of the Saharans, the Polisario, excluded from this month's summit at Libreville.

Though the Saharans' struggle for independence in north-west Africa could at any moment crupt into a wholesale confugration, for the time being, at least so far as Morocco is concerned, it has blagration, for the time being, at least so far as Morocco is concerned, it has developed into a sort of diplomatic chess game. Militarily, the Polisario are in the process of defeating Mauritania, but have little hope of ousting the Moroccan army or toppling King Hassan's regime. And Hassan, who has not been able to chear the desert of the Polisario guerrillas either, has been concentrating on improving his impage and diplomatic position visavis Algeria, his principal rival and chief supporter of the Polisario.

In terms of this sort of struggle, he won a notable victory last month when, for the first time, he put his basically autocranic rule to the ballot box and came out top, with his supporters winning 121 out of the 176 contested seats. Six parties—all of whom supported his take over of the Sahara—took part in the elections, fielding 1,000 candidates between them. However much complaints of ballot-rigging by the defeated left may be justified, at a superficial level the whole

justified, at a superficial level the whole exercise contrasted favourably with the Algerian general election in February. There, the electors were given a choice only between three candidates in each constituency, each one nominated by the ruling party, le Front de Liberation

National.

A right-wing authoritation monarch, King Hassan has shown himself more democratic than the left-wing socialists. Algeria. Though still heavily dependent on foreign and and arms, he is getting rid of the American air bases on Moroccan soil, so that there will be less excuse for calting him a lackey of imperialism. But more importantly, and most unismally for calling him a lackey of imperialism. But more importantly, and most unusually for a right-wing Arab state, he is turning his attention to Africa south of the Sahara. There is a sense in which the northern boundary of Africa is not the Mediterranean but the Sahara. For centuries the desert shot its nomads have been treated rather as client states or buffer, zones between the "civilized" Arabs and the barbarian "blacks. That is the basis of the legally renuous but real historic links which form the basis of Morocco's



King Hassan: attempting to improve his image and diplomatic position.

ciain to the Sanara. Algeria, followed, more recently by Libya, is the only state to have translated this sort of relationship into modern political and economic terms. Instead of keeping the desert as a barrier, Algeria has crossed it by setting itself up as the political model for left-wing regimes and by what left-wing Moroccams have described as a sort of a leganese economic imperiation. economic imperialism in

Africa Morocco, in a slightly different way, is now doing the same sort of thing. A first approach was to undermine Alperia's supporters. One of the first Africas countries to recognize and support the Polisario guerrillas was Benin (the former French Dahomey), a far-left Marxist state with probably the highest proportion of intellectuals on the continent. In January, Morocco was heavily involved in an antempted coup by foreign mercenaries who got little farther than the airport at Coronou.

Morocco's involvement is recorded to both OAU and UN files, and it did King. Hassan a lot of harm. Instead of trying to subvert his enemy's supporters, he has now turned to cultivating his own. Last month, the right-wing President Mobutu of Zaire was having a little local diffi-

claim to the Sahara. Algeria, followed cutty down in the Shaha province. France more recently by Libya, is the only state and Morocco ingener came to his help; to have translated this sort of relationship into modern political and economic of purposeful generosity, King Hassan terms. Instead of keeping the desert as made a present to President Mobutu of all made a present to President Mobutu of all the military equipment his troops had taken with them. And President Mobutu is dutifully including Morocco in his tour of capitals of those countries who came to his aid.

capitals of those countries who came to his aid.

All this may seem much like Balkan diplomacy at the num of the century. But no less than what is happening in the hom of Africa and in southern Africa, it could affect all our lives. Militarily, the Sabaran conflict is in a position of stalemate. Diplomatically, up to now, those 'Arab countries who felt strongly about it have supported Morocco, while the African ones who felt strongly about it have supported Morocco, while the African ones who felt strongly about it have supported Algeria and the Polisario. King Hassan is now making a determined affort to break that diplomatic stalemate. Along with that, his successful gamble at the polls, however stallow its real significance, is going to make it much easier for the Western powers to put their mounts where thair money already is. money already is.

John Gretton

An apple for the teaching computer

Foreign Report

computers, but most of us understand very little about them. Computers are no longer merely business machines, but pieces of equipment that are increasingly being used in all manner of consexts, from the kitchen to the school to the hospital to the sirport. The extent to which the computer has come to play a key role in our

puter has come to play a key role in our everyday lives is not widely appreciated and, so unost laymen there is something frightening about the idea of mechines of such complexity and versatility.

Some American social scientists are riveady talking about the dawning of a second industrial revolution where the machine now replaces human brain labour in much the same way as it replaced manual labour in the first industrial revolution. Computers appear all the more

menual lebour in the first industrial revolution. Computers appear all the more
frightening when sciendists talk about the
development of machines that are as
intelligent as human beings.

A great deal of research is currently
being done to produce just such
machinery, and Dr John McCarthy, the
Director of Stanford University's Artificial
Intelligence Leboratory in California,
believes that present computers are
capable of human level intelligence.

Dr McCarthy is swift to point out, however, that so far nobody has been able
to produce highly intelligent machines.
He noted recently that computers can be

To produce highly intelligent machines. He noted recently that computers can be programmed to play chess better than 99 per cent of the population, but the computer has no general intelligence whatsoever. In fact, he asserted that "the machines are dumber than almost the dumbest human beings".

Moreover, it books like being years before the scientists find means of making

Moreover, it sooks hike being years be-fore the scientists find means of making intelligent machines. "If people ask me how far away is artificial human level isoelligence", said Dr McCarthy, "I say we need 1.7 Einsteins and five Faradays and 0.3 of a Manhattan project and it would be best to have the Einstein before the Manhattan project."

The computer is so far away from

the computer is so far away from the peng an intelligent machine that the only frightening thing about it is the general ignorance about the way it works, the way it can be used to best advantage and the future practical developments that can be made in computer technology. This independence of the property of the pr ignorance, according to many computer scientists, is a barrier to greater use today

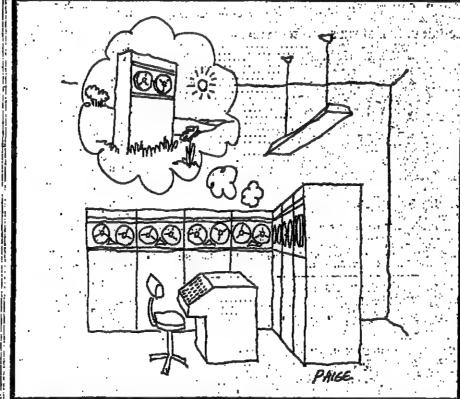
scientists, is a barrier to greater use today of the computer.

A typical example is in the field of education. Engineers and teachers have worked for years on the development of teaching computers. Some of the most advanced work has been done under the direction of Dr. Donald Bizzer at the University of Illinois. Computer technology and programmes have been developed here that could be used in all kinds of educational establishments and which would certainly raise educational standards.

That these computers and programmes

That these computers and programmes are only being used by a small number of institutions reflects the widespread fears of ignorant teachers and edministrators of education. Some teachers are scared that they will be replaced by the computer and there are also deep fears that the computer will serve to studyify the imagination of students and turn our children into walking robots.

The experts at the University of Illinois, stress that the computer must be seen as a valuable teaching tool and not as a a valuable teaching tool and not as a substitute for the teacher. They argue convincingly that the computer can help the teacher to explain complex concepts, that it can also help the student to solve problems and learn facts and theories. Surveys of students who have used this computer system show that the machinery computer system show that the machinery is considered valuable and teachers using the computer claim that the machinery



is considered valuable and teachers using ; the computer claim that the machinery has definitely helped to raise academic

achievement. The computer can free the educator from much of the routine work he presently has to do and so enable him presently has to do and so enable him to spend more time in answering questions from students and in discussing philosophical and general problems with his classes. The computer, as demonstrations at the University of Illinois showed, can not merely be of immense value in the teaching of the pure sciences, but it can also play a useful role in teaching such assorted subjects as foreign languages and even music. even music.
Dr Bitzer's so-called "Plato" computer

teaching system is now in its eighteenth teaching system is now in its eighteenth year of development and Dr Bitzer noted that one of the first things that was realized when this research project was started was that to be of value the computer had to be able to do much more than just carry out set instructions. The machine had to be, able to communicate with the student and the range of communication methods had to be as wide as possible if the computer was to stimulate the imagination of the student in the most positive and constructive manner.

in the most positive and constructive manner.

The "Plate" computers are now capable of printing words and numbers, drawing pictures of all types, speaking directly, playing music and hisplaying colour photographs. The communication skills of the computer are being constantly improved upon. At Dr McCarthy's laboratory in California, for example, computers have been programmed to reproduce human voices and the tones of musical instruments almost to perfection.

The computer teaching system developed by Dr Ritzer is being widely used at the University of Illinois and at several other North American universities. It is also being used by some private companies for job training schemes and recently work has been done to use the computers in prisons for remedial education courses. The cost of the computer equipment is steadily declining as the machinery becomes more popular and as mass probecomes more popular and as mass pro-duction becomes possible. In fact, the gradual decline in the manufacturing costs of computers is the most

compelling of all arguments in favour of compelling of all arguments in Tayour of their rapidly increasing general useage. Miniaturization of components has been the most sensational of computer developments in recent years and has led to the production of computers on a massive scale at tiny cost. New computer developments are being made now at a dramatic pace that will lead to still greater miniaturization and still further cost reductions. The range of common applications of computers is reflected in the wide array of products that are either now in the shops or that will shortly be widely available. Computer base wrist watches, and pocker calculators are inexpensive and common place. Watches have been development of the watches have been development. oped that contain alarm systems, means of telling the time in differing zones and

that can also do highly sophisticated mathematical calculations. mathematical calculations.

Computer-based kitchen ovens, refrigerators and other home appliances have been ators and other home appliances have been produced. Computer-controlled car engines are now being made that enable the car engine to stay in better tune. Computer diagnostic machinery is widely used in hospitals. Travel agents take for granted the computer booking and reservation systems they use daily. Supermarkers now use computer cash registers and scales. The computer has already become a valuable tool of civil servants and it is likely to become much more widely used before long. Computer information banks before long. Computer information banks

and systems are now being developed that enable public administrators to make much

enable public administrators to make much more efficient use in policy planning of the masses of raw economic, sociological, environmental and demographic data that is constautly being collected.

The use of the computer is rapidly becoming so pervasive that it is bringing greater changes in our fiving styles than most of us realize. It is also, of course, bringing with it new practical and philosophical problems. However, the computer is something that everyone should learn more about and which imdoubtedly will be increasingly used as more technological break-throughs are achieved, as the general level of public ignorance about computers is reduced and as people come to realize that there is no reason to be frightened by what is merely a lump of metal and by what is merely a lump of metal and silicon.

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Salute to 'Salo': Pasolini's modern setting of Sade

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This has been a week c. zeal, in legal quarters, for setting sandards of morality for the last quarter of the century; so one is perhaps a whit less startled to find Pasolini's scarifying monumental testament Salo, or the 120 Days of Sodom strange ghetto of the Compton Cinema Club. It was shown to the press, at least, in an integral uncut version. The film is distributed by

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B. A. Sharkesbury Ave United Artists. The British Board of Film Censors played Pontius Pilate in the case, de-claring the film a work of art which they could not cut without altering the author's inten-out altering the author's inten-tion, but which they declined to award a certificate in its un-cut form. After the BBFC had washed their hands of it, the GLC refused their certificate (which gets gramed to some very seamy stuff from time to time). So the film is relegated to the Compton whose members, having paid their 50p subscription to see titles like Sexual Frustration, Secret Prostitution and Mother Knows Best, may well be a little discountenanced by this forbidding, desperate

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Pasolini himself, it seems, was appalled by his creation, fimished only a matter of days before he was murdered. "The result is what I had intended and made. But now there is something I see in it for the first time. I feel unessiness and fear."

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Salo is quite different from any of Pasolini's preceding work. The improvisational hoseness of the story cycles (Decameron, Canterbury Tales, Thousand and One Nights) is here replaced by a very disciplined, precisely scripted formal construction.

There is a profound difference of mood. The story cycles celebrated liberation and sexual innocence. Salo aims to draw procence, Salo aims to draw

articles on the growt, of social violence, attributed to the consumer society and the disorien tation of the urban proletariat.
"Young people today", he wrote around the time he began the film, "are ugly or despairing, wicked or submissive."

In Sade's 120 Days of Sodom he found a metaphor for

his feelings about our times, allowing for one central change of emphasis: "My insistance in replacing Sade's 'God' with the power concept is based on the realization that today one needs to fight the power exer-cised over man's body as much as in his time one needed to oppose the power exercised over his beliefs." The setting for this modern version of Sade is Salo, the pupper fascist republic which was Mussolim's final strong old

in the last days of the war. The fascist era and its monstrous inhumanity provided a real-life possibility for the absolute power over human beings of Sade's fantasies. For Pasolini it becomes a metaphor for power in general and the "natural capacity of power to turn human bodies into objects". The film is an Inferno, and Pasolini gives it Dantesque form. In the "Anti-inferno" Sade's four masters—the Duke, the Bishop, the President and the Chief Magistrate, all evidently fascist functionaries—organize a round-up of the victorial and all the properties. organize a round-up of the vic-tims or collaborators for their ghastly experiment: eight youths, eight maidens, four whores, four studs, four young soldiers and four story-tellers, In Sade these women, deputed to inflame the com-pany's passion with recitals of lubricious teles, were dreadful old hags. In Pasolini's version they have become elegant bourgeois iadies of a certain age and exquisite manners, one of whom provides a melodious

whom provides a melodious piano accompaniment to the merrative.

The Inferno is a mounting spiral of horror. In the first Circle of Manias, sexuality is reduced to inhuman and arbi-

trary violence. The next circle is an orgy of coprophilia; the last, the Circle of Blood, is a borror of torture and murder, directly recalling the Nazi massacre of the village of the spectrator into the inferno
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Salo: an Inferno of today

well as its scatology are Swiftian. Pasolini, in this last Swiftian. Pasolini, in this last film, refused totally to use the film to seduce or please the audience. His only object was to produce a powerful, intendedly cathartic shock. The sexuality, the scatology, the horror are in no single respect titifating, in the manner of pornography, but deliberately painful. Pasolini steadfastly refused to offer his audience what he regarded as the "luxurious pleasure" of being scandalized.

Writing about the film on its first screening, in Paris, three weeks after Pasolini's death I quoted (and I quote again, without apology) Moravir's memorial tribute to Pasolini's achievement in giving a poetic definition to the "as yet nebulous and unformed aspects of the violence of the masses which he had discerned as one discerns a silhouette in the night." He likened Pasolini's quest to discover the form of violence to Rimbaud's desire to see the dawn. "When Rimbaud saw the dawn, he Writing about the film on its

awoke. Pasolini did not perceive violence until the end.
And when he perceived ir it was
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It is in the nature of things that first works are inclined to be autobiographical, and more often than not concerned with exorcising the ghosts of the adolescent purgatory. In this, Claude Miller's La Meilleure Façon de Marcher is no exception. It is exceptional as a first film, however, for its authority

After 12 years as assistant to directors as different as Marcel Carae, Jacques Demy, Jean-Luc Godard and Françols Truffaut (on seven films) Miller's technical proficiency is perhaps not surprising. He works with a simplicity and directness which come from confidence that through his image, his text (he is a "script" director, not is a "script" director, not inclined to improvisation) and his actors he can say precisely script" what he means to say.

More remarkable is the

and funny in its incidental action. He uses (largely for reasons of economy) a documentary setting and a persuasively natural stic manner alongside schematic and melo-

The opening shot of the film, before the credit titles, is an example. Two little boys from example. Two little boys from the summer camp where the action takes place, are playing outside, so absorbed that they are oblivious of the rain. The place and atmosphere are effectively established, but at the same time the boys' play—attempting head-stands, one succeeds while the other repeatedly falls flat on his back—provides a metaphor and a motto for the central relation a motto for the central relation-ship of the film.

Marc and Philippe are late adolescents, working as moni-tors in the camp. Marc is extravert and conformist—his group of boys marches around. extravert and conformist—his group of boys marches around yelling "The Best way to walk three meet again, years after-

Their troubles start when Marc discovers Philippe secretly dressing up as a girl. Philippe masochistically dreads exposure; Marc, despite himexposure; marc, despite num-self, cannot suppress a con-sciousness of power. This, added perhaps to the frustra-tions of a firmly suppressed sexual attraction, generates a tormented relationship in which periods of resentment and malice alternate with Philippe's girl friend Chantal at first provides him with an alibi, then an ally. The confrontations become more brutal, until at the camp's farewell party Philippe takes the offensive, challenging Marc at his own game, publicly humiliating him with coarse homosexual

David Robinson

wards, with all the old passion spent. Marc is now a rather dusty estate agent, trying to sell a flat to a self-confident Philippe, still accompanied by Chantal.

The camp provides a comic background to the drama of Philippe and Marc, but at the same time affords clues and commentaries. The poor little whimpering brat whose friend won't speak to him (played by Miller's own child) looks like Philippe's flashback childhood. The wretched monitor who is publicly disgraced when he turns out to have a store of dirty photos, personifies, equally, Philippe's fear of ex-

The boys are played by Patrick Dewaere (Marc) a favourite of the current realist school of French film-makers, and Patrick Bouchitey, a new and very taking talent. Claude Pieplu adds another figure to his splendid gallery of pompous officialdom as the camp head whose proudly introduced ideas box only produces some unnervingly rude suggestions from the in-fants in his care.

Sinbad and the Eve of the Tiger is a very enjoyable piece of acstalg a, and Arabica Nights of acstalcia, and Arabian Nights fantasy scripted by Beverley Cross, directed with gusto by Sam Wanamaker, and with very jolly magic conjured up by the special efects king, Ray Harryhausen. Harryhausen's mythological beasts, including a kindly bronze minotaur, rather overshadowed the humans, except for Margarer Whiting as a colourful wicked witch.

This week the National Film Theatre began a complete retro-

Theatre began a complete retro-spective of the films of Fran-cesco Rosi, a director who has shown that deep political comshown that deep political com-mitment is in no way incon-sistent with the tensions and excitement of drama. Under the influence of his early master Viscout, his first films like La Sjida, I Magliari and Il Momen-to della Verità dialt with the corrupting effects of social and economic deprivation.

With Salvatore Giuliano (1961), the first of his "recon-

structed" documentaries, Rosi began the series of studies of political corruption, Italian and International, which continued in The Mattei Affair, Lucky Luciano (which the NFT will show for the first time in the country in an uncut version & July 27) and Illustrious Corp-

Brighton finds young jubilee theme

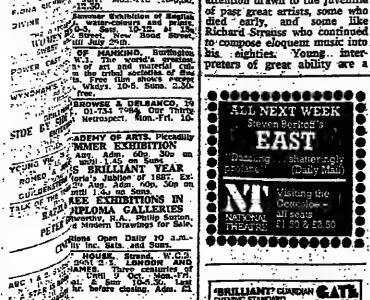
In the Queen's jubilet year, marginal though inspiriting con-Brighnon Pestivel has aptly and sideration; most outstanding in-simaginatively taken for its strumental virtuoses (singers inhame The World of Under 25 more seldom) have declared —Past and Present. As many as possible of the artists performing at, or creatively contribut-ing to, the events, were born after our monarch ascended the throne. They include the conductor Simon Rattle, the cellist Yo Yo Ma, the planist Andras Schiff, the composer Dominic Muldowney, and pupils from Yehudi Menuhin's music school There is poetry by under 25s, an exhibition of painting by artists within that age group, and films with young sctors (for example, Shirley Temple, Judy Garland and Mickey Rooney).

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SHAFFESSUM Mail. Book 01-902 That last category, where the visible under-25s are no longer so young, leads naturally to programmes about artists of the programmes about a tusts of the past who created outstanding works in their first quarter-century. A local example is Aubrey Beardsley, born in Brighton, destined from child-THE GLAN LALLERY, 74 South Audier THE GLAN LALLERY, 74 South Audier 19 Promise A Revival 20 Promise A Revival 20 Promise A Revival 21 Co. 19 Promise A Revival 21 Co. 20 Promise A Revival 21 Co. 20 Promise A Revival 21 Co. 20 Promise A Revival 22 Promise A Revisal 22 Promise A Revis hood to an early death, but nor before he had left his mark on this century. He is commemorated in a tribute of words, music and pictures entitled Aubrey (strange that, his contemporary, neighbour, and friend should have been C. B. Cochran). An important exhibition, called The Generation Show (our own Bevis Hillier had a hand it it), looks at typical phenomena of the past twenty-five years within the showcase frame of a motor-car from each relevant year.

The festival's concerts have a rich repertory of under-25s from which to draw; much Mozart and Mendelssohn of course, Schubert, 100 (even without a fascinating song-recital which Elisabeth Schwarzkopf had to cancel through illness), Purcell, Chopin, Shostakovich, and so

In the old days, young musicians of outstanding ability. were hailed as "prodigies" as if some form of monster; our own time has seen the emergence of a suspicion that talent shows itself most fully in early life. So it is salutary to have attention drawn to the juvenilia of past great artists, some who died early, and some like Richard Strauss who continued to compose eloquent music into his eighties. Young interpreters of great ability are a



BRILLIANT CHARDAN CAT 3rd Sensational Month

I came down to Brighton for two concerts devoted to the compositions of the under 25s. The young looking Lontano Ensemble played Mendelssohn's blindingly brilliant string octet and Mozart's delectable D major flute quarter. Their forces were enlarged for Walton's Façade recited with protean relish and unslesping musicality by Robert Tear, and zestfully, watchfully conducted by Don Carewa. He also conducted a new

work, commissioned by the festival from Dominic Muldowney. It is called Entracte. The title is spoken several times through loudspeakers, and numerals are counted across the stereo field while an octer exchanges counter-points and asserts chords. The music begins deliberately, gradually gathers speed and inventiveness before returning to first principles. Entracte seemed facile and uncogent by present Muldowney standards, although characteristic, with some pleas log episodes, notably for piano

Mr Schiff, who won golden opinions in Leeds at the 1975 piano competition (for his Bach playing especially), devoted his recital to the young Mozart, Beethoven and Schubert. His command of the keyboard and intense musicality were never in doubt, pre-eminent indeed in Schubert's adventurous B major sonata. Elsewhere he cultivated a gentle, plummy, tone colour unsuited to the leonine young Beethoven of the Op 2 sonatas or to Mozart's fortepiano music. There was not much dynamic range, but the King William IV Room in the Royal Pavilion is small and cramped, and accustically infelicitous even for a piano recital. The Pavilion's lovely Music Room is being redecorated at present.

William Mann

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Arts music awards The Royal Society of Arts has announced the award of scholar-ships averaging £1,000 each to assist 15 young professional singers, string players and choreographers to undertake advanced study abroad. The scholarship scheme was set up by the society three years ago because it recognized that there was an almost total lack of public funds available for this The scholarships are financed

by commercial and industrial firms (notably CBS, Courts, Decca, EML, the Imperial Tobacco Group, Philips Indus-tries, Rauk Xerox and RCA) and by charitable trusts such as the Leverhulme Foundation. The awards this year have been divided between seven singers, six string-players; and two choreographers. The juries included Sir Robert Mayer, Sir Frederick Astron, Manoug Parilian and Robert Tear.

Some of the notices on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions.

One damned thing after another

Henry VI, Part II Royal Shakespeare, Stratford-on-Avon

Irving Wardle

Reaching the fielf-way point of Henry's troublesome reign, one begins to pine for the kind of editorial work that went into editorial work that went into the Royal Shakespeare Com-pany's last version of the cycle. It is one thing to theorize about the plays' inexorable logic but, in performance, the grand design breaks up into one damned thing after another. Terry Hands registers how far the kingdom has deteriorsted

the kingdom has deteriorated since Part I, by carpeting Farmine stage with grass and playing most of the action out of doors. Visually a surprising number, of scenes translate easily to the open air, and it certainly off a welcome natural contrast to the stiff formalization of the stiff formalization of the stiff formalization of the stiff formalization of the stiff formalization. mahries of the text. But what it assists is crowd spectacle such assists is crowd speciacle such as the treason combat and Cade's (James Laurenson) invasion of London attended by yokels brandishing meat cleavers, rather than the court scenes, such as the death of Winchester (John Rhys-Davies), who is obliged to stagger about and writhe in the king's arms, instead of taking to his bed. Aside from broadening the social range, the setting is not much of a signpost to the events. One is still thrown back

Man and Woman Yorkshire :: Michael Church

With the evening's violence satisfactorily over, and the kids nucked up in bed, now, at last, to consenting adults, it can be told. For this is a tale which has been long in the telling: others, boider and rasher, have perished in the shire, the message comes loud and clear: Man and woman (or, if you prefer, man and man, woman and woman) equals—or should equal—plea-

My point of comparison, of course, is the Thames Television series Sex in Our Time which, though much appreciated in Australia, was not allowed on to our screens. Though both it and this new offering have theoretically shared a common aim—to inform, and to allay unnecessary doubts and anxieties—their approaches could scarcely be more different.

Whereas Sex in Our Time spoke essentially to a sophisticated, post-Freudian audience and dressed its message in gay, even shocking, apparel, Man and Woman is a gauche, determinedly dowdy affair which makes great play of its links with the national organizations involved in counselling and family planning. While still convinced that the Thames series should be shown (menopolitan folk have problems too) I suspect that this new series will answer a more widespread need.

Since most parents seem to find sex education a difficult matter, and many abdicate

on the principals, most of whom on the principals, most of whom come over as interchangeable landed gangsters. Alan Howard's penitentially long-suffering king often succeeds in firing the passive language and twisting platitudes into new expression: without abandoning his saintly character, he achieves one thrilling climax by treating the exile of Suffolk as a demoniac exorcism. But he

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is not on stage long enough to supply the action with a focal For most of the time, one remains at the mercy of the feuding lords, and from what I remember of The Wars of the Roses, there is more arrogant plamour in Suffolk and more elephantine dignity in Warwick than Peter McEnery and Julian Glover have to offer. Emrys James's York goes from strength

to strength, now a full-blown reptilian narcissus, coaxing wry fun out of the recital of his ramshackle pedigree, and passing a white rose to his nostrils as if it had the power of a masic charm. magic charm. The production fully emphasizes the destructive female theme through the performances of Yvonne Coulette as

the protector's plotting wife, and Helen Mirren's Margaret, and neigh Mirren's Margaret, delivering her insults with a poisonous schoolgirl smile, and finally cooing over the head of Suffolk like a Plantagenet Salome. There is plenty of heat in the show: perhaps light will dawn presently. -

their responsibilities entirely, this ought to become a task for schools (if the vital infor mation is not to be acquired surreptitiously through ado-lescent friends). Last night's programme looked at the lamentable lack or inappropriate nature, of sex education in most schools, and it showed one enlightened approach in a Barnsley comprehensive.

The next two programmes, of which I have seen previews, deal respectively with the physiology of sex and the "diffi-culties" encountered by the young, the old and the maritally ill-adjusted. With the aid of diagrams, straight advice, and an excellently acted mock counselling interview, the programme's guest gurus explode a succession of myths including that most harmful of all-that sex is something reserved only for the young and beautiful.

Mike Leigh: anything but anarchy

Abigail's Party (which reopens at the Hampstead Theatre on Monday after an initial and critically-acclaimed run there carlier in the year) is by general reckoning the nearest the English theatre has lately come to the intense hosts-versus-guests despair of Albee's Virginia Woolf. It has also been the most remarkable recent success of a theatre currently enjoying a winning streak. But what separates Abigail's Party from the general round is that it appears not to

have been written at all: in-stead, it, has been "devised" by the 34-year-old stage and film director Mike Leigh, Apart from his film and television work, Leigh has been responsible for more than thirty plays in the last 10 years, many devised and put rogether in circumstances resembling those at Hamp-stead. I believe in improvi-

sation within a structured surrounding: this is not some kind of all in anarchic democracy. At Hampstead I had the promise of a specified number of actors and nine rehearsal weeks: I also knew roughly the dimensions of the Hamp-stead stage and the likely sort of audience you find there, but that, up to the first day of rehearsal, was all I had to work with."

On the first day of rehearsal, is Leigh's custom to approach each actor (many of whom he will have worked find a character. "Generally they come up with a list of five or six friends, people they would like to be,

and during the first week or two of rehearsal I then work independently with each of the actors until he or she has selected one: these are not selected one: these are not acting exercises in which people are supposed to be funny or inventive or amusing—they're a genuine search for characters who are then researched and built into a final script. Characters develop, then relationships, and these I monitor and follow and push towards a dramatic confict of some kind, so that you get a microcosm of society through improvisation. At one point in the Abigail's Party rehearsals we had three quite separate themes going, and the occasion of the play was the interrelation of those themes. On paper the quality of the piece isn't great: what makes

it work is. I think the unstated

implications



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from the very first; only the surface text is flexible. "A great many actors find it impossible to work like this: the ability to improvise intelligently is not the same as the old Rep actors' ability to ad lib in a crisis. The actor here has to think only of his own character: once he starts worrying about the overall framework of the play or if it'll work, then he's lost: it's only really good for actors who want to play real people instead of stage characters. Improvising has nothing to do with writhing and twitching or exploring an arty process for its own sake: what we're trying here is a form of social documentary. After RADA (where he was

in the generation of David Halliwell, Ian McShane, David Warner and Sarah Miles) Leigh went to be an assistant stage manager in Rep at Lenti-erhead until he got a plug-thrust in his eye and was taken in hospital. From there

design. There,

drawing class, I suddenly realized what it was I'd always hated about RADA: we never made an organic or truthful statement about what we were experiencing—everything was secondhand or borrowed or learnt. Nobody ever confronted themselves with experience, or tried to distil or express it. Now you will find the importance of all that in Stanislavsky, but to me it was a revelation: suddenly you are into an area of creative investigation instead of mere repro-

Then in 1967 Mike Leigh got a job as en assistant director in Peter Hall's last Stratford

"I did some improvisations with the cast of Coriolanus and The Taming of the Shrew and got treated with a kind of healthy cynicism which was very good for me: I spent the season alternately stroppy and very excited—I seemed to be the only non-Cambridge direcvery excited-I seemed tor around, and I carried my-lack of 'A level' English like a great inferiority complex. Still, I did some demonstrations called The Actor at Work and then Terry Hands was called away and I sort of inherited Theatregoround for a while: but it soon became pretty obvious that the long rehearsal periods I need and the fact that I'm unable to offer managements any sort of a script before the first night ruled me out of most company's schedules.

"So I went off into the wilderness for a while, raught in the E15 acting school, then spent a year at teacher training college in Manchester because I thought maybe I was going to be a playwright after all, in which case teaching would have paid the rent.

But there I began to do some improvisations with the Youth Theatre and that sort of led me back to stage work."

Sheridan Morley



Inspiration of artists

Canaletto, Constable, Gainsborough, Turner, Monet, Whistler, Kokoschka and many other world famous artists have been inspired by London and the Thames over the last three centuries. Their paintings are now on exhibition in the "Fine Rooms" of Somerset House, some of which are open to the public for the first time this century. Monday Friday 10-7 Saturday & Sunday 10-330.

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a compromise basis to the effect that the AUEW would end mem-bership of five of the staff and

advise them to join Apex, and the AUEW would be permitted to

without any regard to their wishes

Portrait bust sold for £40,000 anonymously

Eighteenth-century wies, a riot of curls, were a real challenge to the tvory sculptor; the challenge had been met with marvellous finesse by the ivery portrait bust seven inches high, of Francis Sambrooke by David le Marchand, which was soid at Sorheby's yesterday for \$40,000. The purchaser was said to be a continental collector but the bid was executed with complete anonymity by Sotheby's sale cleri. The auctioneers had been estimating about \$20,000 rd \$25,000.

a lawyer, being admitted to the Middle Temple in 1682; he came Middle Temple in 1662; he came of a family of City merchants and Turkey traders. Le Marchand, on the other hand, was a Huguenot refugee; among his recorded work, is a bust of Louis XIV, so his art was presumably well regarded.
The other big price in the sale
was \$30,000 testimate \$7.000 to £10,000), paid also by the sale clerk on benalf of an anonymous client, for a 34 inch dump, and dim-looking angel cast in bronze dim-looking angel cast in bronze in the eighteenth century. The plece had about it the irresistible romance of having belonged to Horace Walpole: he is shown standing in a Gothic niche in a drawing of the oranory at Strawberry Hill. The holes in his back indicate that he once had wings. The sale of medieval, Renaisance and haronse works of arternal haronse works of arternal haronse works of arternal haronse. The safe of medicival, Krimis-sance and baroque works of art made £272,193, with 11 per cent unsold. Among the other princi-pal items was a large (20 inches) Italian cast-brown mortar made for the most demanding kitchen with a frieze of Neptune and his

Germany, for £13,500 (estimate £10,000 to £15,000). The more attractive items regularly sold for high prices; there was a set of the four seasons, Dieppe ivory carvings of about 1740, each a symbolic female equipped with flowers or cornecopias at £4,000 (estimate £2,000 to £3,000). Sotheby's sale of English foreign silver made £41,578, with 12 per cent unsold. There wis a set of Hanoverian pattern table silver dating from about 1904-05, including 244 pieces and weighing 29402, at £2,100 (esti-mate £1,500 to £2,000).

Sothebr's sale of Japanese prims and oriental drawings made £35,236, with 11 per cent unsold. A book sale at Hodgson's rooms made £19,103, with 11 per cent unsold. F. R. Martin's History of Oriental Cornets 11 per cent unsold. F. R. Martin's History of Oriental Carpets before 1800 in three volumes, of which 300 copies were published in Vienna in 1906-08, made £1,000 (estimate £1,000 to £1,200), a reflection of the present interest in carpets.

At Christie's, fine continental furniture and works of art made £130,175, with 10 per cent unsold. A group of carpets and rugs brought £5,500, with 30 per cent unsold. As group of carpets and rugs brought £5,500, with 30 per cent unsold. As given this

oriental ceramics, furniture and works of art made £62,622, with 5 per cent unsold. A pair of black lacquer and painted side cabinets of the third quarter of the ninesea horses frolicking in the waves; it went to R. Zotz, of

Walsh and Another v Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers

Before Mr Justice Brightman Mr Justice Brightman granted two members of the headquarters two memoers of the analgamated Union of Engineering Workers in Soum London a declaration that their purported expulsion from the union in January, 1976, was invalid and void and that mey were valid and vold and that mey were still union members. It's Lordship said that the rule under which the union had acted contained no power to expel the plaintiffs, Mr Keith Walsh and Mr Charles Johnson, although other rules fully covered the expulsion of members.

Mr Alexander Irvine for the plaintiffs: Mr John Melville Williams, QC; for the AUEW.

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HIS LORDSHIP said that Mr Walsh and Mr Johnson had been engaged as clerks at the union's head office in 1960 and 1957 respectively. Upon entering they joined the Association of Profes-sional Executive, Clerical and which became official. During the dispute Mr Hugh Scanlon, the AUEW president, issued a memorandum over his own signature stating that he considered that the AUEW was the union appropriate for headquarters staff.

Roth men amplied to join Mr. withten a personal letter to Mr Scanlon asking if he could join and was told he could. He filled

admitted five days later. His pro- Disputes Committee of the TUC.

poser was Mr John Boyd, the pretent ceneral secretary.

Disputes Committee of the TUC.

The AUSW, however, did not sent ceneral secretary. On December 20 Apex wrote to the AUEW and to the general secretary of the TUC alleging that the AUEW had been guilty of a serious breach of the Bridlington Agreement, which regulated innermion conduct and, in particular, was directed against "poaching" of union members: Agreement was reached in December, 1975.

Chancery Division

was in the union's interests to reach a compromise with Aper and that the executive council had power to effect peremptory termination of membership.

AUEW would be permitted to keep five or a few more than five. On December 23 Mr Walsh and Mr Johnson were called to Mr Boyd's office and told that they would be removed from membership of the AUEW.

Mr Johnson had given evidence that and Mr Biller tendence. The question was whether the executive council had such power without respring to the procedure of Rules 22 and 23 concerning. Mr Johnson dat given evidence that he and Mr Walsh had pro-tested; that they had joined at Mr Scanlon's express invitation; and that they should not be moved from one union to another at the whim of the unions concerned

her admitted in such circumstances. By a proviso to clause 8 the executive council might, by giving six weeks notice in writ-ing, terminate the membership of

Expulsion of union members void Evidence that was obtained irregularly admissible

Before Lord Widgery, Lord Chief-Justice, Mr Justice Forces and Mr. Justice Croom-Johnson

When police officers arrested a man for stealing a sundwich from a public house searched his bed-airing room without consent and found carminis there, they were exceeding their use the evidence they obtained by so doing. The Divisional Court allowed all

from the dismissal by Brigaton; justices of two charges against Christopher Ian Hillary Black; of Arundel, Sussex, for possession of camabis, comrary to section 5(2) of the Misuse of Drugs Act, 1971. The justices had dismissed the case after hearing that the defendent but not be the property of the case. dant had not given police officers permission to search his premises and therefore they held that the evidence obtained could not be used against him.

the police officers intended to search his premises. They went with him to the house where he At that point in the evidence

the police were entitled to enter in spite of the lack of consent. The court had been referred to the authorities, although none went so far as to show that the with had now developed to the police where the entry by the police was not unlawful.

In Chapter 1 Longs (11970) 108

In Gham v Jones ([1970] 1QB 693) the Court of Appeal had reached the farthest point to which the courts had gone. In the opinion of the Master of the Rolls opinion of the master of the Rotts such activity by the nolice was permissible if the goods which they found were goods which they reasonably believed to be material for which a person was arrested.

If the police officers had had any reason for thinking that the defendant's theft of a sandwich required an inspection of his prem-ises they might have made that inspection without further auth-ority. Is was clear that when the officets entered the defendant's

In his Lordship's judgment, the point was concluded by those considerations. The common law had offence with which he had been charged, nor was it evidence is support of that offence.

Mr Farquharson further submit ted that even if the entry had been unlawful, that did not prebeen unlawful, that did not prevent the evidence found from being relevant and acceptable to a
court. It was firmly established
that evidence obtained in an irregulike inanuer was not excluded.

Kuraina v The Queen (1955) AU
197): It must be accepted by the
court that an irregularity in obtaining evidence did not render it.

in falling to follow karuma. That however, was not the end of the matter because the justices, like any other criminal ribunal in England, had a discretion to decine, to allow evidence to be called by the prosecution if it were thought that it would be unfair or oppressive to admit it.

In exercising that discretion justices should stress to them-selves that it was not a discretion that aruse in drug cases or when police entered premises; it was a discretion which every criminal indge had all the time in respect of all evidence rendered by the

of all evidence tendered by the prosecution. It would give justices some idea of the extent to which that discretion was used if one issed them whether they approach at the fact that they had it. Probably even experienced justices were ignorant of the fact that they had such a discretion. It was increased in the courts, but if the case was exceptional, if the police not only had acted without authority, but had also been guilty of trickery, or had misled someone, or had been oppressive or unfair, or in other respessive or unfair, or in other respessive had acted reprehensibly then it was open to the justices or other judges to apply the discretion and exclude the evidence. That would only happen in very exceptional cacing in evidence. That would only happen in very exceptional circumstances, and the simple fact that police officers had gone into the defendent's premises without bothering to get a search warrant and obtained evidence was not sufficient to justify a four in exercising its discretion to keep the extensions on the evidence out.

to be reheard by other justices.

Mr Justice Fortes delivered a concurring judgment, and Mr Justice Croom Johnson agreed.

Solicitors: Mr T Lavelle, Lewes: Chapman & Wilson.

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Estate agents' compensation taxable

Mr John Vinelott, OC, and Mr he did have a moral clem, paragets by a property development company as companish of for the state expension for the crown; agents ou a redevelopment stream is a ranable profit of the estate agents while a ranable profit of the estate agents while assessment of £2,500 made on Mr T. F. Brown and Mr B. L. Consins, trading as estate agents for Croydou, to Schedule D (Case III) income tax for the year 1966. The also rejected a subsideration that the assessment could not be assessment of £2,500 made on the could be the profit of their grade powning that the fact that it was not related by the taxpayers as compensated. First was not the could be the payment, had been received fact that the fact that it was not the could be the payment, had been received fact that the fact that it was not the could be the payment, had been received fact that the fact that it was not the could be the payment, had been received fact that the fact that it was not the could be the payment, had been received fact that the fact that it was not the could be the payment. The could be the payment, had been received fact that the fact that it was not the fact that it was not made the payment. The could be the payment for the tax agents in the fact that it was not the could be the payment. The could be the payment for the tax agents in the fact that it was not the could be the payment. The could be the payment for the tax agents in the fact that it was not the could be the payment for the tax agents in the fact that it was not the could be the payment for the tax agents in the fact that it was not the could be the payment for the tax agents in the fact that it was not the fact that it was not the fact that it was not the could be the payment was not the fact that it was n

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As acquired for redevelopment was held not to be retable Like.

the wrong decision in what was a difficult field of the law. The appeal was allowed.

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Dismissals after redundancies

Mr Alexander Ireine for the employers Mr Rex Tedd for Mr Clarke.

ing the judgment of the Appeal Tribunal, said that Mr Clarke was

Tribunal's attention had been directed to most of the both control of the both control

British United Shoe Machinery had consistently followed the Co Ltd v Clarke decision of the National Industrial Relations. Court in Vokes Ltd v Bear ([1974] ICR 2) to the effect that an employer, when dismissing an employer and the reasonable efforts of unfair dismissal by a redundant employer and they ought to make a gainst the temptetion to make a finding of unfair dismissal by a redundant employer and independent of unfair dismissal by a redundant employer and they ought to grard against the temptetion to make a finding of unfair dismissal as a means of topping up an inade quate redundancy payment.

The Employment Appeal Iti-burnal allowed an appeal by the employers, British United Shoe Machinery Co Ltd, from a decision of a Leicester Industrial ribunal last November that the employee, that of the reasonable efforts to find the employee other employment.

Even where there was a lack of consultation or a failure to make reasonable efforts to find the employee other employment.

any difference. What he those circumstances was the correct order for an industrial tribunal to make? Should they say that the case was not one of unfair dismissal, or should they say that although the dismissal was unfair, the compensation to be awarded was nil? It was open to an industrial arbunal to adopt either course. COURSE, '

The suswer depended on what when the industrial tribunal formed when applying their mind to the Trade Union and Labour Relations Art 1974 whether the Relations Act, 1974—whether the

had acted as they should, no benefit would have been gained by Mr Clarke; they could find either that he had not been unfairly dismissed, or that although the dismissal was unfair, he had suffered to loss and was entitled. other employment, they wonishave to assess compensation.

The industrial tribunal ought to be practical in their approach and spoud flights of faricy in evaluation.

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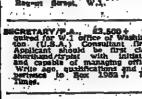
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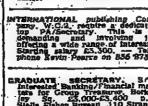
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or tourist brochure which brought this obscure, tiny, very beautiful country to avoid a very brother than the country to avoid a very beautiful country to avoid a very beautiful country to avoid a very brother than the country brought this obscure, tiny, very beautiful country to world attention. On April 30, 1972, the signal was given in Burundi for the stert of a massacre unparalleled even in Africa's tormand history.

Tutsi were killed in a Hutu rising. The rebels had been encouraged by the successful

It was to have been the Tutsi's final solution of the Hutu question. But like all final solutions, lacked total finality. It went far enough: 200,000 Hutu were butchered or fled over the border. The population of Burundi is only 3.5m, and it is estimated that 3.5 per cent work lilled within 3.5 per cent were killed within a few weeks. Comparative figures for Britain would have been 2,000,000 deaths, 8,000,000 for America.

It is a complex and therefore usually oversimplified story. The Tutsi are portrayed or rather parodied, as a pastoral the Hutu as dumpish peasants. The former account for about 15 per cent of the population, the latter 85. In essence, the tragedy of Burundi has been the struggle for majority rule, Between 1961-76 there were nine violent changes of govern-ment, three prime ministers and a king assassinated, one king and a president deposed.

But it would be wrong to see this as a straight Hutu challenge to Tutsi ascendency, an ignorant peasantry standing up to their overlords. The road which led to the 1972 hr: occust is littered with not only the bones of the Hutu but also those of the victims of infighting between the two main Tutsi clans, the so-called lower caste Hima group and the higher caste Banyaruguru. Both groups certainly treat the Hutu in general as serfs. Yet members of the majority tribe achieved senior positions in the army, civil service, education and in such professional and business life as could be expected in one of Africa's poorest countries, where the per croits acquel income is only about £35. There was considerable social interchange, even inter-marioge, between the

Tutsi and Hutu elite. are talking of a collision of intimates,

On English ears it has a pleasing Lilliputian ring, the Tutsing the Inexcusable.

and Hutu of Burundi. It was the Eclipians' Switzerland of Africa.

But it was not satirical fantasy and the Hutu started it and so that the Hutu started it and so the Hut

couraged by the successful seizure of power by the Hutu majority in neighbouring Rwanda. Helped by Mulelist exiles from Zaire, the Hutu revolt in Burundi gained considerable ground in the provinces but failed dismally in Bujumbura, the capital: The capture of the radio station and airport are the prerequisites of African

It gave President Michel Micombero (ousted last November) the opportunity to mobithe Hutu rising. But the Tutsi counter-attack was already under way by party youth-wingers in a frenzy of killing. They were undoubtedly respon-sible for some of the worst atrocties. Many of the jeunesses were half-crazed by drugs and drink and in the end many were shot like rabid dogs by government troops, Precisely what happened will never be known. The best account of the Hutu massacre is a report pre-pared for the London-based Minority Rights Group by Pro-fessor Rene Lemarchand and David Martin, who drew on first-hand experience of an American teacher in Burundi, Mr Jeremy Greenland.

It is possible that the Micombero regime simply set out to suppress the rebellion and pun-ish its leaders. It may not have been guilty of premeditated genocide, but genocide is what it came to. In the circumstances, it would have been understand-able, given the history of Burundi, if the Hum leadership had been given short shift, but it went far beyond that.

how the youthwingers and troops went on the rampage, killing every Hutu they could lay hands on—peasant farmers, assistaris, gardeners, chauffeurs, clerks, . . . Those, in short, who could have had no hand in

Mr Greenland has described

planning the rising against the Turni and for the most part



President Micombero: 'retired' in November after an army coup

were shot or clubbed to death. Hand grenades were thrown into crowded cells in quieten prisoners berserk with fear.

As if the despatch of the Hutu governing class, church leaders and intellectuals and the random slaughter of the Hutu peasantry were not enough, the Tutsi, hysterical with hate, visited the sins of the Hutu fathers on their

children.
Bands of Tutsi soldiers and students and schoolchildren, herded them into trucks and battered them to death. It saved anmunition.

what it means, of course, is that in eliminating the present generation of educated and semi-educated Hutu, the Tutsi rook good care to eradicate the potential challenge of the younger generation. The mind-less sloughter of women and less slaughter of women and babies, the torture and mutilation, the razing of villages and the wanton destruction and looning completed a nightmare picture of a people who for a few weeks lost all control and abandoned themselves to a bloodbath of attivistic ferocity. It placed Burundi firmly in the

inspeakability" league.

Hardly a voiced was raised in protest. The OAU hoped that President Micombero would speedily resolve the situation—which he did, but nor as the OAU implied in its fawning message. The United Nations despatched a team, all of five men, which did little more than record that UN Children's Fund Land Rovers had been common-deered to take piles of corpses

who might have exerted presure as main buyers of Burundi's coffee, paid little heed, likewise the British. Over the border in Tanzania, President Julius Nyerere soon discovered what was going on and promptly gave, and still gives, asylum to thousands of Hutu refugees,

What it amounts to is that Burundi is a small landlocked country in the middle of Africa of no economic or strategic im-portance and therefore of no consequence. No pogrom has national concern.

As for Belgium, the former colonial power, vested economic interests paralysed protest. There were mutterings in Brussels about sanctions, but no one in Bujumbura took them seriously, knowing that the French would be only too happy to step in should the Belgians drop out.

So Burundi was left to its own hideous devices. Belgium is often held historically responsible in that she should have introduced majority rule before independence in 1962. before independence in 1962. But the Belgians exercised their United Nations mandate in-directly through the Tutsi kings, directly through the Tutsi kings, and the tribal status quo was maintained, the introduction of the vote in 1956 notwithstanding. Yet allowing for Belgium's colonial failings, it would be quite wrong to blame her for the 1972 slaughter.

The blame lies squarely on the shoulders of the Tutsi leadership—and they know it. They know they are guilty of genocide. The "good" Tutsi, of whom there are many, are whom there are many, are deeply ashamed. Last November, Micombero,

a spent force, was "retired" to a country tills after a bloodless coup within the army. His successor. Lieutenant-Colonel successor, Lieurenant-Colonel Jean-Baptise Bagaza combines the advantages of a social science degree with five years' training at the Brussels military academy. He is of a radical turn, but no Marrist. He is been on economic and social reform Four Hutu are included in his Four Hutu are included in his young administration: its average age is 32, his own. However well-disposed towards the Hutu, the fact remains that President Bagaza is captive of the powerful Tutsi clan within and outside the army which backed his bid for power, and that Tutsi hegemony has been entrenched after the "prophylatic violence" of 1972 subdined the Hutu. Any Tutsi radical advocating majority rights

advocating majority rights would soon be silenced. Presideat Bagaza is certainly an enlightened young officer with progressive ideas, but he must tread carefully in extending them to the Hutu. One can only dolefully con-clude, therefore, that the potential for disaster remains. The Tursi continue to be

obsessed, as well they might, with all the fears and suspicions an oppressive ruling minority is hear to. It can only be a matter of time before the Hum throw off their peonage and claim the divine right of numbers. The extermination of their leaders and the educated and semi-educated class will delay the lodging of their claim or so the argument runs. Communities enjoying such a large majority as the Hutu of Burundi generate new clites as fast as the old dis-

The Hutu rose in 1964, 1965, 1969 and 1972. Another rising is inevitable, and the changes are that once again the world will witness perhaps with rather less indifference than rather less indifference than five years ago, yet another massacre in Burundi. The Huru could win next time, with the slaughter on even a greater scale than in 1972 as the Huru take their revenge, as the Rwanda Huru took it against the ruling Tursi minority in the ruling Tutsi minority in 1959. Long-term stability is impossible in Burundi until the tribal imbalance is corrected in favour of the massive Hutu majority. All the ingredients

A Srecial Correspondent | eggs;



The sad fact is that some of the best things in life may kill you

the recent letters to The Times about sear belts is evidence of the strong emotions aroused when people are told how to behave by health educators. This resentment is even more marked if there is any sugges-tion that Britain should follow the example of countries like Sweden and legislate to protect health by, for instance, progressively raising the price of alcoholic drinks and cigarettes.

Opposition to proposals of this kind is based partly on their interference with indi-vidual freedom; bur another, practical objection is the killion image of so much preventive medicine. It is unfortunate but true that almost everything that is bad for health is also fun and that the popular picture of the health enthusiast is one of a dessicated ascetic leading a spartan life centred on cold showers, early morning exercises, and a bleak vegetarian diet. In contrast, the easygoing extrovert believes his drinking, and operating are the smoking and overeating are the normal pursuit of simple pleasures and sees no reason why he should not be allowed to shorten his life expectation without officious interference.

The answer is that preservahas become important for a whole range of commercial interests. Varnally every aspect of modern living that is medically inadvisable is encouraged by some lobby or pressure by some loosy or pressive group, and in many cases the brainwashing has been so successful that dangerous habits are taken for granted as normal. The two most prevalent physical disorders in our society are dental decay and excessive weight. Yet every child is subjected to repeated or essures to learn the habit of pressures to learn the habit of esting sweets, chocolate bars and biscuits between meals as a source of "energy", and the television screens project the idea that any spare moment

At least the sweet manufacturers do not claim their pro-ducts promote health, but that is the stand taken by the farming and dairy industries. What could be healthier than milk, eggs, cheese, cream and

Bernard Levin

calorie-tank.

especially yoghourt? Every family is subjected to repeated exhortations to eat the "natural goodness of milk products: What hope has the nutritionist who wants to persuade people to eat less rather than more butter? Meat in general and steak and hamburgers in par-

ticular have acquired an aura of masculine vigour, of strength and vitality, and in consequence countries such as Britain consume vast amounts in the false belief that protein is the best (as well as the most expensive) food. In constast, vegetarianism has a persistently crank image, perpetulated by the small scale of its retail outlets and the lack of any commercial lobby on its behalf,

Advertising is equally effec-tive and equally dangerous in the image it projects of alco-hol as the accompaniment of the luxumous jet-set life style. The crowds of drinkers are always young and beautiful, thin and happy. No one pictures the overweight depressives nursing their transpover headsches on a Sunday morning. Another all-pervasive image is the power and masculinity associated with speed fast cars, motor cycles, and rapid travel in general. Anyone advocating stricter speed linkis, tougher action on drink and driving, stuffy and unmanly.

Tobacco advertising is the least defensible of all. Current promotion of the new cigarettes containing tobacco substitutes suggests that they have been "cleared" by the Hunter Committee, and that they are safer than conventional cigarettes. In dence to support such a belief, and for all we know the substitute cigarettes may be more and not less dangerous. Commercial lobbies are not

limited to advertising in pro-moting their interests: They are also highly effective in influencing public opinion through their contacts with journalists and politicians. Brewers and distillers promote the case for cheap, alcoholic drinks being more widely, accessible with extensions to licensing hours; the road lobby resists any suggestion of sub-sidies for radi transport,

serious injuries; while the lake are recent examples of government-subsidized overpro duction of foods that dam health when consumed in excess

lobbies do? In theory, they can put the opposite side of the case, but they mostly lack the financial resources for heavy expenditure on public re lations and advertising. Nor have they received the help they had a right to expect from the Department of Health which seems unwilling to tres-pass on the territory of the Home Office or other government departments. There has been little evidence of any advice from the DHSS in shaping Whiteball policies on transport of agriculture. When economic and health interests are in conflict, the balance always seems to come down against

health.

What can be done? Those who insist most loudly that individual freedom must be preserved ignore the daily infringement of that freedom by professional persuaders and the erosion of choice by minopolies. There is a strong case for another surge of state intervention comparable to that inspired by health reformers such as Chadwick in the mineteenth as Chadwick in the nineteenth century. They were concerned with purity of water supplies, sewage, and refuse disposal and they were opposed by vested juterests who argued the case for freedom. The present-day problems are comparable: In Victorian society most premature deaths were due an insanitary living conditions in overcrowded cities, while in Elizabethan Britain the leading causes: are still external road. causes: are will external rose accidents (too many of the ing lack of exercise, and over

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Dr Tony Smith



Aftermath of the Eltham crash: the train driver and five passengers died.

In suggesting this week that drinking on the railway should be regarded more as a sickness than a crime, the National Union of Railwaymen seem to be dangerously confusing two

separate issues.
Drinking can be an illness in a railwayman as in anyone else; and if it is, deserves to be treated as such in terms of social benefits and medical care. But to drive a train, perhaps with hundreds of people on board, while under the influence of drink is an act of unbelievable folly, from which the public has a right to be

protected even more perhaps The last serious accident attributed directly to drink was in June 1972, when a returning day trip from Margate took a 20 mph bend at Eltham, south London, at 65 mph. The train left the rails killing the driver and five passengers, and injuring nearly 150 more. The driver's blood was found to contain three times the level of alcohol permitted for driving a car.

Drink and the train driver

endangered imprisonment can be up to two years, and where lives are lost there could be a charge of manslaughter with a maximum penalty of life imprisonment.

imprisonment.

Despite these sanctions, drinking seems to be increasing on the railways. British Rail brought 800 disciplinary cases in the five years to 1974, resulting in 120 dismissals, among them 10 drivers. This is only two drivers a year out of 27,000, which in a way sounds not too bad. But within those figures is a steadily rising trend (a 172 per cent increase in 1974 over 1970) which has presumably continued since.

Airlime pilots are not allowed Airline pilots are not allowed to drink either on a flight or for eight hours before it, and for eight hours betore it, and a similar rule for train drivers was considered, and rightly rejected, by the inspector at the Eltham inquiry, as unfair to large numbers of sober decent drivers who liked a drink with their dinner.

But the inspector's further comparison was perhaps more Railway regulations forbid employees to report for duty under the influence of drink, or to consume it on duty, on pain of reprimend or dismissal. Railway pokice have power to arrest a man drunk on duty and prosecute with a maximum penalty of £25 (to be raised to £200 by a railway Bill currently before Parliament) or two months' imprisonment. If life

(and he might have added coach drivers) are most like train drivers, and that the question of drinking and driving is left by hauliers to the good sense of drivers. What he failed to mention is that like all other road users, coach and lorry drivers are under the constant watch of the police who, with their breathalysers, are a powerful deterrent to drunken driving.

Heavy drinkers are notoriously resistant to admitting, or even knowing, the seriousness of their problem, and if owning up results in the loss of a job the danger of just going on and risking lives is greater, as the NUR rightly fears. But the consequences of rail crashes can be so horrific that whatever is done about railwaymen (a delicate and complex issue), the public will want greater, not lesser precautions, as the incidence of drinking rises nationally. This might include even tougher sanctions (the Eltham driver had been once discharged for drunkenness then reinstated with union support), breathalysers for railway police as the Eltham inspector suggested, and more regular medical checks

medical checks

But the greatest need is recognition by railwaymen themselves and their unions that drinking and train-driving

Michael Baily VIRCIACI BAILY strategy to be pursued in the imme-Transport Correspondent diane future. If there is to be no wage-

Hold everything, I've found the answer ing an economic policy. The miners and the transport workers having rejected any form of agreement on pay, and other unions having indicated an inten-

other unions having indicated an intention to do likewise, it seems that inflation may not be just about to fall to single figures after all. Not, I may say in passing, that that will cause Mr Hattersley to shut his cake-hole. When the Prime Minister had long since ceased talking like that, when even the Chancelior had not for months been heard mentioning figures at all, when any Labour politician who ventured to wheel out that mouldering prediction at any public forum would have been depending on the amount his hearers had had to drink—either laughed into oblivion or taken to the market-place had had to drink—either laughed into oblivion or taken to the market-place and stoned, when the fools had failen silent and the knaves slipped away under cover of darkness, Mr Hattersley amounced that inflation would in all probability be down to single figures quite shortly. Even Mr Foot has not actually said. "This is well within the actually smd. "Thes is well within not terms of the social contract." for years now, but Mr Hattersley is still actually using the phrase about single figures, and probably doesn't even reasse that he ought to feel ever so slightly embarrassed in consequence. I begin to think that there has not been seen on earth quite so great a disparity between self-esteem and any justification for it since just before Benjamin Robert Haydon finally got the point and blew his

brains out.

I digress (but Mr Hattersley would bring out the digression in a yard-stick); what I was saying was that the TUC and the Government seem to face a considerable problem in the matter of coming to terms on an economic

ments to the IMF, or even by the rather ments to the IMF, or even by the rather more imprecisely-drawn frontiers of his own political honesty, if the Labour left will not stand for this, and the voters in the Ladywood by-election will not put up with that, if Mr Jack Jones cannot bring his army to the field nor Mr Gormley his (and let us at any rate sive credit to them both for revenue the credit to them both for the credit to the c rate give credit to them both for try-ing), what shall we do? What shall we do? Whatever shall we do?

Some say that the Government should abandon all attempts at restraint by agreement and impose it by law; some say that the Government should aban-don restraint altogether and let the country see the consequences, in the hope that that will at last make clear to everybody just what inflation, anchecked, can do; some say that the Government should undertake monetary measures of the kind advocated by Sir Keith Joseph and Mr Enoch Powell; in short, some say this and some say that. But every solution proposed so far demands a certain amount of polltical courage on the part of the Gov-erument, and in particular of the Prime Minister, and for that, I fear, we may have to wait until, in the words of the old music-hell sors, a white nose grows on a black man's head.

Now, as you all know, my one desire in these matters is to be helpful; let others sneer or rebuke, read stern leotures or deliver bitter denunciations; the Chevalier Levin will stop at nothing to find the Government a way out of the trap. If it is a matter of scuaring the circle, I shall square it; if of reconching irresistible forces with immove-able objects, reconciliation it shall be: if of putting a girdle round about the earth in forty minutes, a girdle round about the earth is what, in forty minutes, I shall put.

the solution—a solution which has the additional advantage of having been used, with immense success, before.

Step forward Mr Solomon Banding.

You will, no donor, recall that gentleman's distinguished career of service to

his country. In 1969, the then Labour Government sought to introduce industrial relations legislation, of the kind the Conservatives actually did bring in the Conservatives actually did bring in when they came to power. But the union leaders objected, a great uproar of indignation was unleashed, the ranks of Labour MPs broke and ran, and the Cabinet shortly afterwards followed. At that point, the TUC, magnanimous in victory, offered the Government a scrap of paper wherewith to cover its nakedness. Iest blushes should be caused among the bystanders. Though they among the bystanders. Though they would not allow the Government to compel them to put their house in order, they gaye "a solemn and binding promise" to do so voluntarily. And thus was the good soul born.

thus was the good soul born.

Of course, Mr Solomon Binding (he was offered a knighthood, or even a peerage, in the Wilson resignation Honours, but, having had a glimpse of the names of his fellow-honorands, politely declined) has long since retired, and now lives in a small house just outside Esher, where he occupies himself in raising prize begonias and refusing offers from Lord Weidenfeld to publish his memoirs. But one who has so notably served his country in the past would not refuse his country's call now. call now.

call now.

After which, it would be simplicity itself. The TUC would give a solemn and binding pledge to keep wage-demands down, to increase productivity, to reduce the number of man-hours lost in the course of industrial action, and to undertake many another such

can shove his face in front of the cameras, the Prime Minister could address the public. He could say that the public were to ignore the "codewallop" they had read in the press about the agreement, that he wanted to speak quite frankly and sincerely, that the pound in their pockets was perfectly safe, that he wanted to speak quite sincerely and frankly, that if the would read his speech of April II, 1952, they would see that he had been for consistent and right all along that wanted to speak quite frankly, that if they would read his speech of April II, 1952, they would see that he had been for consistent and right all along that wanted to speak quite frankly, that was very proud of the part he played in ending the Vietnam was very proud of the part he played in ending the Vietnam was very proud of the part he by layed in ending the vietnam was cerely, and that he just wanted to conclude by stressing that the bit about the pound in your pocket had been written by his civil servants, not by him, and included against his heare judgment:

And so Mr Solomon Binding it must can shove his face in front of the

And so Mr Solomon Binding it must be: "to the spital go, and from the powdering tub of infamy, fetch forth the lazar kite". As in the Wilson days the lazar kite? As in the Wilson days that we thought for at least you may have done) were over, let us seek agreements that mean shifticiently line to satisfy simultaneously the holders of two entirely opposite points of view let us find phrases that mean nothing but sound as though they mean much let to falsehood on the one hand nor to truth on the otber, let us, in short-bring out again the weasel words, even though the weasel himself has long since sone pan. And then Mr Parters lev can say that inflation will soon be down to single figures. And Mr Front down to single figures. And Mr Font can say that it is all well within the. terms of the social contract.

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Recognition for outstanding

services It was ironical (well, I thought so) that at yesterday's Sword

of Peace presentation in the Cutlers' Hall there was so much op bross bent on a great deal of saker rattling. The female brass leoked very becoming, as id the Duchess of Norfolk.

The brass itself (I think particularly of Admiral Sir Raymond Lygo, General Sir Roland Gibbs and Air Chief Marshal Sir John Aiken) was n rattling good form. Sir Raynond, who started his career as copy boy on The Times and, our for the war, might even ow be ensconced in an office ext door to his old chum Louis leren here at New Printing louse Square, told me of one f the unreported events of the pithead Review week before

At the end of the formal line f vessels which saluted the usen, there appeared a smart, relations in the territories and cean racing yacht which areas in which they are inder the expert hand of her stationed.

helmsman) came about perfectly and, in its turn, saluted the Royal yacht. The boat was Morningcloud and it became clear that Edward Heath was at her helm. "A lovely bit of seamanship", Sir Raymond thought. No doubt Margaret Thatcher, on a warship, felt it. Thatcher, on a warship, felt it was a bit of one-upmanship.

The Wilkinson Sword of Peace is presented annually to a unit from each of the three Armed Forces. The swords themselves are specially in-scribed, though they are of standard Service pattern so that they may be carried on parade. Admiral of the Fleet, Sir Edward Ashmore, who retires next month as Chief of the Defence Staff, presented this year's awards (the eleventh in the series) to the Royal Navy's Hong Kong Squadron, to the 2nd Regiment, Royal Military Police (for the Army) and to Dowal Air Force Learbruch. Royal Air Force Learbruch.

The point of the swords is that recognition should be made of outstanding efforts by made of outstanding efforts by "ouse of Lords yesterday was speech to the House but British units in fostering good quickly apprehended by the relations in the territories and areas in which they are stationed. "Where do you think you're to may the occasion of stationed."

The last cat I laughed at was identified as Magnifi Cat, and Felix, so I thought it was time a boxer rejoices in the sobrified at the sobrifuent found out what had happened quet Ali Cat (formerly Cattius to feline fun since those Clay).

halcyon days. To judge by The Cat, a cartoon and paintings exhibition at The Workshop in Lambs Conduit Street (within exercise becomes positively surgicing distance of this realistic with a comb that is miaowing distance of this realistic with a comb that is office), it is no longer puss who transmogrified (the pun is there generates most of the laughter

but the punster who thinks up the words to go with him. There are charm Thus, we have the piece of colours, too, inch Thus, we have the piece of colours, too, including four music called Clawed Depussy. miniatures by Sir Hugh Cas-Elsewhere, a cat sits in the window of a chemist's shop and gives rise to the title Puss in

cots. cult not to ask one of the help-There is an enthroned mogay ful staff if there is a caralogue.

Identity crisis The young man in the smart suit

who strode briskly past the long queue of tourists and straight into the Lobby of the

constable, grabbing the young man by the arm, "The Earl of Gosford", he replied, politely.
"So you want to see him, do you?" the officer went on. "No, I am he ", explained the seventh Earl, who made his maden speech to the House but a

if you have time to find it)

son, but the accent is on fun and the pun, and so infectious is it that you will find it diffi-

There are charming water-

month ago.

The incident did not appear

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Dreadful show and not sporty

It is, of course, regrettable that Don Revie failed to ask permission of the Football Association before blowing his nose in pub-lic. What is worse is that, without first informing the FA, he made secret plans to purchase a dozen new handkerchiefs so as (in his own words) "to secure the future of my nose". I went to a whisky marriage evaporation", explained Mr lindoing a "Greig", Mr Revie westerday, and it proved spirited Gran.

secure the future of my nose.

In doing a "Greig", Mr Revie yesterday, and it proved spirited in several ways. Host was David in several ways. Host was David Indicators are to be trusted no more than top sportsmen. But director of Glenfiddich. Guest then how can you expect people then how can you expect people of honour was Sir Ronald Radford, chairman of the Board of on permanent view at Grapt's providing of the safe, and subsequent downing of liquid gold was Sir Ronald's official locking of a spirit safe, on permanent view at Grapt's providing of the reparter and subsequent downing of liquid gold was Sir Ronald's official locking of a spirit safe, on permanent view at Grapt's providing of the reparter and subsequent downing of liquid gold was Sir Ronald's official locking of a spirit safe, on permanent view at Grapt's providing the providing that the providing the providing that the providing the providing that the providing tha then how can you expect people of honour was Sir Ronald Radlike that to understand that the
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And as for Mr Greig (who is obviously the cause of Britain's slump as a world sporting power), I agree with all the cricket writers who point out that he was very lucky to score a shaft at Sin Ronald's legions. The ignorant morous were quite right to an't prevent the annual dissecutions of about 20 million and the state of the excise man.

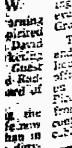
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Early yesterday morning, John Merrill set off to walk 240 miles around some of England's most beautiful but precipitous country. For this well-known marathon wall cr and writer, the perambulation around the perimeter of Derbyshire is not just for fun, but also to raise cash for the National Trust's Appeal for Derbyshire and the Peak District Sponsorship is Ip a mile, and there is a lottery with prizes for those who guess the precise time of Mr Merrill's blistered return to Sudbury Hall on July 24.

Customs and Excise.

Mr Grant was making the point that the distiller's life now was much less exacting than in the notorious days of the dutydodgers. Less exacting, too, was the life of the excise man.

from a distillery, is a quality control device, not a hospitality cabinet for the Piccadilly saff.





MOIOR RACING

a Special Report to

mark tomorrow's

British Grand Prix

pile-up) is Jody Scheckter, who today is a much more

minded determination. He and the new-look Walter

grand prix world by winning their first grand prix, in Argendia, but they sur-prised it even more subse-quently when, by a series of

was no fluke, but an accur-ate indication of their poten-

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at Silverstone



Championship rivals meet to do battle

Caring the in le between James Hunt league Carlos Reutemann a shead of the rest of the field.

Education Nikl Lauda last year for scant four points further be despite feeling far from wellto lesses the World Championaldo, hind. With nine points This year, though, two factors on a could be forgiven for each offered for a race win (foldivers stand out among all its a place in time the 1977 grand lewed by six, four, three, two others as the men to beat, sorenment at season might be same and one for the next five each of whom is driving for has a positive of an anti-climate. places), any one of this quarket at team which has passed health. We lappily, this is far from tet could be heading the through a lean patch and crusses of a case, and although the table by late tomorrow aftermore through a lean patch and crusses our your of the battle this noon.

Why does not have those both the lattle this noon.

rent championship leader, signs of that potential being Niki Lauda, from his two reached, when Hunt qualified closest rivals, Mario Andretti for the front row, led the and Jody Scheckter, with race for a few laps, and Lauda's Ferrari team col-finally took third place, well

discase. Our your of the battle this noon.

Jumes Hunt, on the other pressive level of competitiveness, bario Andretti, who worked so hard for John its marker agreater variety of engines and drivers and the front-runners.

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backers remained loyal dur-ing a depressingly fruitless couple of years) Andretti's car is registered as the John Player Special Mk 3, and it has emerged as consistently

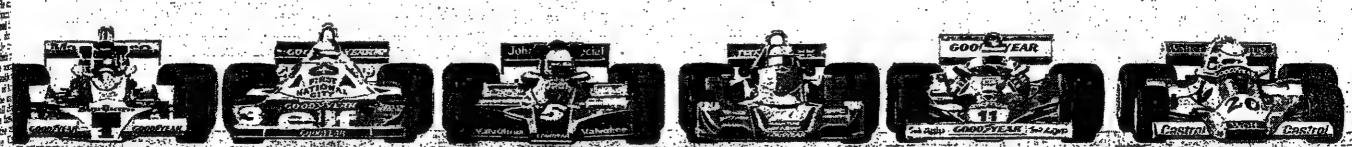
Whereas last year the driver.

power battle was fought in Now, it seems, this dubious the main between the Ford honour has passed to John V8 engine in Hunt's Werson, a driver of great McLaren and the 12-cylinder natural talent and mechanisms.

margin of advantage to over cockpit of Lauda, this year again this season has been designer. Gordon Murray to half a second. If there are Andretti, Lotus and Ford in a position to win a grand any keys to the car's success are finding their main prix, only to be thwarted by they have to be its excellent opposition in the shape of some perty trouble. Twice successful afforts to overbalance and the facility with John Watson, Brabham and he has been shounded out of come the engine installation which it responds to the Alfa Romeo. Until he retired contention by other drivers, problems which dogged the chassis-setting compromises from this branch of the and in France he failed to rear last year has been an which are a permanent presentation.

at of one more litre of the starting grid. Like the sufficient to see him JPS Lorus, the Brabham, on the last three corpaper at least, should be well-Apart from Watson's per- Another driver with the

Recently, the team has been plagued by a mysterious fuel-feed problem, and Scheckter has not added any



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Championship rivals meet to do battle

Ontinued from previous

clear that the Italian team in around an extra pair of that it is potentially very wheels and their associated impedimenta more than out in private tests in France; handle as well as in the past. Like the McLaren M23, the Ferrari 31272 is no longer a youngster, and it would be no surprise if Mauro Forghieri produces a new car for Lauda and Reutemann before the end of the ment programme continues apace, despite the fact that the Shadow team, but the reason which once apace, despite the fact that again has the henefit of sub-time.

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labelled it a publicity gimmick doomed to failure, by which allows cars with 11
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grand prix scene is already overcrowded, and a running battle continues between members of the Formula One Constructors Association (the works ceams) who want a strict limit on the number of entries accepted for practice, and every one else

Track which mixes safety with excitement is a sporting showplace

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Around the world with the high-speed circus

World Championship began

by Peter Waymark

But Hunt and Lauda passed seriously challenged. Carlos them both and finished the Reutemann was second and race in second and third Scheckter, after a poor positions to take their first start, just held of Mass to points of the season. Scheck take third place. Lauda ter, the winner in Buenos sustained a cracked rib durative winner in Suenos sustained a cracked rib durative winner w World Championship began Aires, was forced to retire ing the warm-up and failed a the harning heat of early with engine trouble, to make the start, while Buenos Aires in January
when the South African Prix at Kyslami in March M26 crashed in practice, was jody Scheckter won the will be remembered as put out by electrical trouble Argentine Grand Prix in his much for the tragic after six laps.

Jody Scheckter won the Argentine Grand Prix in his new Wolf-Ford. It was a criumph of endurance rather for the tragic after six laps.

The speed for Scheckter Laude who overtook Hunt on ended in victory for Scheckter the seventh lap and led for ter, who led the Grand Prix st of its 53 laps.

The early running was sade by Jphm Watson, the rest of the race. Jody of Monaco from the start to Scheckter, on his boane the finish of its 76 laps. The ground, was Laude's closest Ferrari drivers, Laude and challenger, coming within a Reutemann, finished second of him at one stage and third and after Hunt and finishing as runner-up, retired with engine trouble The Franchman Patrick after 24 laps, Maas fought off Depaller, in his skewheel is challenge from Andretti to Tyrrell, took third place schallenge from Andretti to the day's fastest lap The fatal accident to Pryce occurred on the twenty-third lap. He hit a young marshal who had run across the transfer of the Release transfer of the Re



The smaller way to bigger things

by John Teague

Formula One: may be the er known most important. form of international motor

the other major single-searer circuits is about 140 mph. The result is a series which ser formulas recognized by Not that budgets are is very hard fought indeed, and the champions usually the sport's governing body, exactly in the economy class of one in achieve great the Féderation Interns for either Formula Two or the champions usually go on members of the champions of the champions of the champions of the champion of the ch ness of these formulas have the same money he could attribute part of their become generally recognized grand prix in the progress to the top division as the standard route for a World Rosswis One to the time they first spanas che standerd route for : young, ambitious racing Championship but the crui in Formula Two.

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Whereas e Formula One car's three-litre engine producing almost 500 brake horsepower on the fastest

Ford overhead caushaft Fermula Two schedule is a Pinto and on top of that the thriving European cham-cars must carry a restrictor pionship, which this year plans that governs maximum will have 14 rounds ranging power very severely by confront Portugal, to Austria, stricting the engine's from as far north as Engineer breathing."

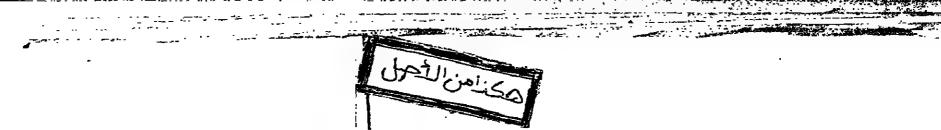
In Britain we have championship rounds this season at Thruxton, Silverfessional car racing in Europa. Formula One represents the pinnacle of a great pyramid of different cate more than 300 bhp at its ship events each summer, gories of racing cars, each governed by a profusion, possibly a confusion, of rules and regulations.

Of the lesser caregories, the two most important are the other major single-sear.

Revised saloon car rules bring back the thrills

by Clive Richardson

The years ago the British Saloni Car Championship the Heavy on the British Saloni Car Championship the Heavy on the Saloni Car Championship the Heavy on the Heavy on the Saloni Car Championship the Heavy on the Heavy on the Saloni Car Championship the Heavy on the Heavy





Britain's most successful rally cars didn't win a single rally last year?

If you got a secret twinge of pride last year when a car just like the one you drive came first in a major rally, you do not drive a Triumph Dolomite.

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Because although Dolomites consistently came first in their class they never came first overall.

But then, some of the cars that did come first bore about as much resemblance to ordinary production models as the QE2 bears to the Woolwich ferry.

They had been, to put it mildly, 'modified'.

We believe that any car that's as well engineered as the ordinary road-going Sprint should be able to cope with rally conditions without being modified out of all recognition.

True, we did fit a roll-cage and a fire extinguisher, but we had to do that because the safety regulations required it. We tuned and balanced the engine to get the maximum power out of it,

we tightened up the suspension

1976 Dolomite Sprint results 💃 🚓 Group One OUTRIGHT CLASS WINNER Mintex International Rally Group One OUTRIGHT CLASS WINNER Granite City Rally Group One OUTRIGHT CLASS WINNER Burmah Rally Group One OUTRIGHT CLASS WINNER Manx International Rally Group One OUTRIGHT CLASS WINNER Lindisfarne Rally

to cope with the rougher rally conditions, we put spotlights on the front to shed a little extra light on the gloomy forest roads, and we stuck on a racing exhaust. That's the kind of thing we were allowed to do.

But in the end, the car was much closer to a standard road version than highly modified outright winners.

And as you can see from the results table, it came first in its category in no less than five major rallies last year.

Which gives us a great deal of private satisfaction.

After all, if we wanted to come first, we could probably lay our hands on a pair of V12 Jaguar engines to put under the bonnet.

It wouldn't prove much, but it would scare the hell out of the opposition.



Dolomite. A triumph of British engineering. @ Triumph @



Star image hides toughness

by Robert Parker

character of James Hunt and appearing with some of from his apprenticeship, the better-known drivers. and from the way he won Then came the March team against all expectation, then formula Three win at Rouen one would hardly consider in 1970. He started at the one would hardly consider back of the grid, but neverhim a prospect for winning theless came in first. Steady again this year. At the progress continued in 1971, moment, with nine of the 17 but 1972 was a year full of prix completed, problems and failures. Hunt is lying only in seventh position with 13 points ing-points came in 1973, Four of the drivers ahead when the young Lord Hes-of him have from 28 to 33 keth signed him up to drive

But he was hardly doing

the championship, few would in that race only seven urgue that James Hunt has tenths of a second separated done as much, if not more, him from Rounie Peterson, for British motor racing than the winner. almost any other driver. He The second big piece of and artracts continuous pub-

responsibilities off the track are always the quick ones, hard for honours, with a most as seriously as his he said. racing on the track. On Hunt was particularly in Spain and three thirds.

putation. He is said to be class outfit. able to make about £1m this he has made in recent years. mendous battle with Ferrari But it has not been easy and Niki Lauda.

ended up in the lake. At The curly-haired South the end of 1969 he joined African, Jody Scheckter his first team, Motor Racing If one did not know the an old Brabham F3. He character of James Hunt year's championship in 1970-71, and the first

> One of the two main turnfor his private and unsponsored team.

When the Hesketh team any better this time last arrived ostentatiously at year, and indeed most com- Monaco that year, complete mentators had written off with Rolls-Royce, yacht and his chances of winning. He helicopter, the racing world did, however, win the French thought it a huge joke. But Grand Prix last year. Two not only did Hunt qualify weeks ago he came third, well, he was lying sixth when Hunt really must win this he had to drop out with a weekend's grand prix at blown-up engine. He went on Silverstone if he is to that year to finish eighth in keep his hopes alive. Last the championship table, des-year in the British Grand pite competing in only half rix ar Brands Harch he was the races. He came sixth in first past the finishing line France, fourth at Silverstone, but was later disqualified. third in Holland and second Whatever the outcome of in the American Grand Prix

is a tremendous crowd puller luck in the James Hunt story came in the autumn of city. 1975, as the season finished. There is doubtless some Hesketh Racing was folding, muttering in the clubs and the future looked bleak, about the publicity that But at that moment Hunt was Hunt's adventures off the signed by McLaren. It took track also attract, and the Mr Teddy Mayer, McLaren's kind of jet-setting superstar boss, just a minute to decide treatment be receives.

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public occasions he frequently pays tribute to the lucky because when he was importance of the McLaren signed most of the teams had team and acknowledges the been arranged for the next duty he has to his sponsors. Season. McLaren's was no Since 1974, Hunt has been exception but then Fitti-living in tax exile in south-paldi pulled out, and there ern Spain, where he and his waiting for Hunt was a place Porsche car have quite a re- in a fully sponsored and first-

Last year in his first seayear as a result of his cham-pionship to add to the son with McLaren, Hunt won siready considerable amounts the championship after a tre-

for Hunt to reach the His success obviously owes money-spinning position he much to his own determination and skill. But that in But his first win did not There was the spectacular itself is not enough. He also accident at Oulton Park in needed luck, maybe luck Africa; victories also in 1968 when Hunt and car that he created.

Austria and the United

Peter Waymark writes about five leading contenders for the world title

Jody Scheckter

African, Jody Scheckter, is enjoying his best season as a ormula One driver. Starting 1977 with a new car, having left Ken Tyrrell for the Austro-Canadian Walter Wolf, he won first time out in Argentina, had another victory in Monaco and is joint second with Mario Andretti in the drivers' championship. Scheckter, who is 27 and

the son of an East London motor dealer, started racing in go-karts. He went on to saloon cars and in 1971 moved to Europe, rising, through Formula Ford and Formula Two to a contract with McLaren. He made his Grand Prix debut in the United States in 1972 but the following season was notable more for crashes-one of which stopped the British Grand Prix at Silverstone than championship points. But he had several successes

away from Formula One, including the American Formula 5000. Switching to Tyrrell in 1974 to replace Jackie Stewart, Scheckter won in Sweden and at Brands Hatch and finished third in the championship. The next season he dropped back to seventh but took third place again last year. His elder brother, Ian, was the 1976 South African champion and has been racing in Formula One this year with March.

Carlos Reutemann

At 35 one of the older drivers on the Grand Prix circuit, Carlos Reutemann from Argentina is a talented The son of a cattle

boyhood hero in his fellow-Argentinian, Juan Manuel Fangio, Reutemann started racing with a Flat saloon in 1965, rose to Formula Iwo and, sponsored by his Government, finished second to Rounie Peterson in the European Formula Two championship in 1971. The following year he was signed by the Brabham Formula One team and had pole position in his first

rancher, he had an obvious

Grand Prix in, appropriately, Argentina. come until 1974 in South

States helped him to sixth place in the drivers'

championship. In 1975 he had only one win but raced more consistently to finish third behind Lauda and Fittipeldi. Last year, however, he gained only three championship points and mid-way through the season switched his allegiance from Brabham where he had criticized the decision to drop the Ford engine for an Alfa-Romeo-to Ferrari.

Niki Lauda

After Niki Lauda crashed at Nurburgring last year, his fight for life won admiration beyond motor racing circles. And when, only six weeks later, scarred, he returned to the track at Monza-and finished fourth-his courage was transmitted to millions who had never been near a Grand Prix.
But for the accident,

Lauda could well have been World Champion for the second year running; as it was, he pushed James Hunt the whole way and surrendered his title by only a single point. This season he is back in contention, with a fine win in South Africa and three second places, and he currently leads the drivers' championship. Lauda, who is 28, was

born in Vienna, the son of a paper mill owner, and did his first racing in a Mini. In 1971 he bought his way loto Formula Two with a loan from the bank and took part in his first Grand Prix. After moderate Formula One seasons with March and BRM, he joined the Ferrari team in 1974 and after victories in Spain and Holland looked to have a good chance of the title. But he failed to finish in his last five races. The following year, however, he had five Grand Prix victories

Gumar Nilsson

The 28-year-old Swede, Gunnar Nilsson, was the outstanding new driver to emerge on the Grand Prix circuit last year. He was third in Spain—only his third championship race and in Austria and by end of the season good judges were tipping him as a future champion. This year, after a slow start, he has confirmed his promise

and took the championship by nearly 20 points.

by winning the Belgian Grand Prix and lies fifth in the points table.

Born in Helsingborg, the son of a building contractor Nilsson is a former submarine radio-officer who went into business as a haulier. It was through the prompting of his business partner that he entered racing in 1972 by buying a Formula Vee. A year later be was making his mark in Formula Super Vee under the Bonnier banner and he finished fourth in the European championship. In 1974 he raced a private

March in Formula Three and the following season he was taken into the March works team. He developed into a good prospect, winning the BP Visco-Static championship, and towards the end of the season gained a series of victories m Formula Atlantic.

He was clearly ready for the highest level and when Ronnie Peterson switched to March, Nilsson replaced im for 1976 in the John Player Special Lotus ream.

Jochen Maas

A 30-year-old former merchant seaman from Germany, Jochen Maas is in his fifth season of Grand Prix racing and as James Hunr's colleague in the McLaren team has generally outshone the World Champion this year. But he will be auxious to add to his only championship win—in the shortened Spanish Grand Prix of 1975—and put an end to the feeling that his talent has been taking rather long to

He began saloon car racing in an Alfa Romeo and then rose through Ford Formula Super Vee in 1971 and victory in the European Touring Car Championship the following year in a works Capri.

He appeared in Formula I wo and Formula Three for March and in 1973 led the Surtees team in Formula Two, taking second place in the European championship. In the same year he made his Grand Prix debut for Surtees at Silverstone but involved in the first-lap

Mass spent a frustrating time on the Grand Prix circuit in 1974 : he was often victim of mechanical failures and did not score a point in the world Surtees for McLaren towards the end of that

Champion commuter over 20 years

by John Blunsden

Of all the potential winners of the John Player British Grand Prix comorrow no other driver can match the versatility and experience of the naturalized American Mario Andretti, aged 37, the number one driver for John Player Team Lotus

Andretti, who was born in part of Italy that is now in Yugoslavia, was one of many who found himself without a home in the aftermath of the last war, and math of the last war, and after spending seven years in a displaced person's camp the Andremi family emigrated to the United States. They settled in Nazareth, Pennsylvania, where they have since developed such deep roots that the international racing driver steadnational racing driver stead fastly refuses to move his home, preferring instead to commute to whatever part of the world to which his busy racing schedule may take

Today, he can look back on a racing career spanning 20 years. It embraces such widely diverse branches of the sport as Modified Stocks (production cars), which he drove with considerable verve around the bull-ring circuits in his adopted state in grand paix racing which, Indianapolis notwithstand-ing represents the pinnacle of arrainment for an internationally oriented racing

In between he has proved himself a master of the United States Automobile Club (USAC) racing (on highspeed oval circuits) by be-coming National Champion in 1965, 1966 and 1969, and runner-up in the two inter-vening years; of NASCAR stock-car racing (he was vic-tor of the famed Daytona 500 in 1967); and of sports car for the first time; Chapman endurance racing, in which provided a Lotus-Ford for his many successes have in Andretti to drive at Watkins cluded three victories in the Sebring 12-hour race, part-nering Bruce McLaren, Nino Vaccarella and Jacky Ickx.

m 1971, when he was driving for Ferrari, but it was Colin Chapman, head of Lotus, who nis risk tasts or grand prix namonal motor racing with though the reward for the graterial to him for that, racing. Andresti first came to an intensive programme of team's progress was not to hisrio Andresti, indeed, is chapman's notice at Indians—national events in his be won until the Japanese perhaps the mast widely polis in 1965—the year of adopted country, but evident Prix in October, progressing in Clark's memorable victory of the memorable victory over the USAC terest in Formula One was for more than two years.—still capable of teaching the Rechilichment. tory over the Establishment.".

ess came in South Africa,

On that occasion Andretti

Mario Andretti at Silverstone during tests in which he broke James Hunt's track record of 1 min 19.03 sec (set at a speed of 133.56 mph) with a time of 1 min 18.54 sec (134.39 mph).

took the Rookie of the Year wing of the Vels Parnelli award after a stirring drive racing operation, which these, water means that award after a stirring drive racing operation, which these, water means and so impressed Chapman hitherto had confined itself immediately we can concern and so impressed Chapman hitherto had confined with ourselves with just the other. that he said that a car would exclusively to racing with-be made available for him in the United States.

the United States Grand Prix that the two men were able to form a professional link provided a Lotus-Ford for Andretti to drive at Watkins Glen and Andretti responded by placing his car on pole His first grand prix suc retired from the race with clutch trouble).

career progressed sideways has been spectacular. A year of a ream led by Mario; during the early 1970s as he ago, the 1976-model john he has been so helpful to attempted, with only partial Player Special was already me and has taught me so. first spotted his Formula attempted, with only partial Player Special was stready me and has taught me One potential and gave him success, to combine inter- a potential race-winder, even much. I simil always his first tasts of grand priz national motor racing with though the reward for the grateful to him for that

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by placing his car on pole forces once again and demposition to the dismay of all the grand prix regulars (he with the World Champion Andrets's temmate, Ginship their ultimate goal. The nar Nilsson confirms the progress they have made observation: "I canabit say To some extent Andrett's during the past 18 months how locky I feel to be part

of a new the (announced two months later) provided the springboard for the rapid progress of Team Lows during the corrent season. a programme in which Andrew's contribution cannot be underestimated.

Number one driver for Lotus is det the easiest of jobs, for Colin Chapman is never satisfied with less than a 100 per cent achieve-ment. But the two men are well instrated; Andrew-has the greatest respect for Chapman, but is in no sense overswed by him, knowing that he, slone among grand prix drivers can match his boss's mator racing experience, and in consequence is entirled to his own opinions.

Mario Andretti's race-craft driving ability and craft, driving about and standard are widely acknowledged, but of equal value to dis team are his other attributes which have helped to make the current John Player Special, such a competitive cat.

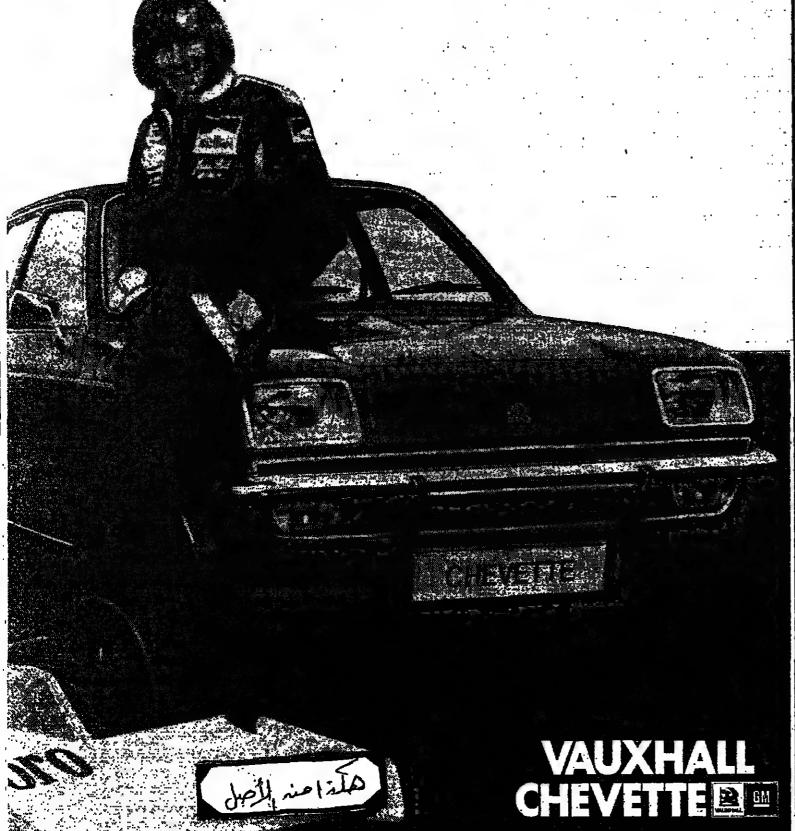
"Mario has such depth of perception of what is hip-pening to his car". Colin Chepman says: His greet contribution is in the field of fine tuning a rare skill among drivers.

"In particular he has the ability to characte the new tives. For example, if his car is understeering some-where it could be due to any of 10 different causes. Mario will have the perception to know why it cannot be due to, say, seven of these, which means that

if ever he decided to apply Andretti was happy to be "He is also quick to his talents to Formula One back among the European identity when a problem is racing circuits, but the team met nor due to any chart's with limited success and was deficiency, but to an outside the Lorded Seater County Principles of disbanded early cause such as a charge of eventually disbanded early cause, such as a charge of last year, at a time when wind direction or force, or Team Lotus fortunes, too, perhaps a suble change in were at a low level.

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"Ilike driving my Chevette to work."



Engine's success speaks up for silent designer

Right weeks ago Mr Keith Duckworth made one of his rare trips outside the United

A few seconds after Jody Scheckter had taken the chequered flag to score his second grand prix success in the new Wolf-Ford, a Ford covers from a huge facsimile celebration "cake", which was placed slongside the the midst of all the applause drawing board Northampton the V-8 engine had taken shape more than quietly into the background. It had been much the same victory, mounted in two Lotus 49s entered for the Dutch Grand Prix (Graham Hill had driven the other lap time in practice with it). n more concerned about the public acclaim

formed the image of sive cost and mechanicould be and their fortunate drivers, to one in which today there ere invariably more cars and drivers available than there

Although initially the Ford Ford and Cosworth Engineer-

ive then eary alterprospect of consinuing for McLaren and Tyrrell) are



A spare Ford/Cosworth DFV engine keeping cool in the pits at the Circuit Paul Ricard, France.

DFV engine was available an effort to stimulate new standard production ver not have happened. That

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In excess of 500 bhp. How. As director of public ever, the 12-cylinder engined affairs he was using monor developing might be increased by 10 a greater weight of fuel stone of his public relations that the ford's consumer comprehitive for three or four match the Ford's consumer. per cent to keep me engine match the Ford's consump discrimination with which seasons. But elthough it has tion which, at close to 6 his policy of competitions been challenged by 12-cylin upg, is frugal by Grand Prix involvement had been conder rivals throughout its life, standards.

> advanced development pro- become such an essential ing the board of the gramme on the DFV in ingredient of the inventory company that they which three teams (Lotus, of most teams that grand spend £100,000 (at McLaren and Tyrrell) are prix racing as we know it resources of collaborating with Cosworth today would cease to exast engineering d by ramping experimental without it. Yet the Ford

an entori is standard production ver not have happened. That is interest, at an enormous cost sions.

At first, the Ford DFV imately 470 bhp at 10,800 taking of Mr Waker Hayes, produced a little over 400 rpm, whereas the best now vice-chairman, Ford of the product of 9,000 Ferraris, Alfa Romeos and Enrope, in the boardroom of that in the product of 10,000 taking of Mr Waker Hayes, and it was expected Matras are reputed to give Ford of Britain in 1966.

ducted had already brought source, the only during the past two Approximately 275 DFV significant rewards, ta stability to years has there been any engines have been produced Nevertheless, it. was a racing which sustained effective opposit at Northampton to dark and supreme act of faith which the existing tion. This has led, this year, soon production will have enabled him to put his reputation.

two months later the springhould be the THE CONDUCT OF MEMBERS

bot pe midelenniss The Select Committee of the Number one day House of Commons that has been examining the conduct of members in connexion with the Poulson affair has commented never coin unfavourably on three MPs; mr than a 100 per can John Cordle, Mr Reginald ment. But the Mandling and Mr Albert the greated and Roberts. The finding on Mr Chapman but is in that the Committee considers that his the Committee considers that his Chapman but the Committee considers that his overawed by the Committee considers that his overawed by the conduct amounted to a contempt that he alone in conduct amounted to a contempt prix drivers, can be decreased in the question of his expulsion the question of his expulsion from Parliament. An MP is entitled to his own immune from prosecution for his parliamentary activities, which haring Amiros that any act of corruption starting and means that any means that are starting at the starting at the starting at the starting are ready or bribery in which he may be ready but of the involved in the course of his parliamentary activities does not parliamentary activities does not be ready to the scope of the attributes which he come within the scope of the player Special and can inflict a direct punishment peritive car. upon him if he is guilty of any erception of the pening to he are of course the indirect perception of what are of course the indirect pening to his or sanctions of public opinion in Chepman says a general and his constituents in of fine turing at particular.

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Gambia and pressed for HMG to award constructional contracts to British firms ".

That is a damning remark. It makes it clear that Mr Cordle was guilty of more than a technical oversight or an accidental conflict of interest. But the report points to two factors in mitigation: "the business of The Gambia was an isolated incident rather than part of a pattern of conduct " and there was then some doubt as to what kind of interest ought to be declared. Neither of these considerations is an adequate defence. If an incident is sufficiently grave in itself ir does not matter whether it is part of a pattern of conduct and bir Cordle could hardly have sup-posed that the conventions of the House at the time would have condoned his acting as he did with the motive that he claimed.

But the penalty of expulsion is not only a very severe one; it is also one that can be abused if it is applied without the most rigorous care and respect for objective criteria. There are dangers in inflicting a severe penalty for an offence committed at a time when the House, through its own fault, had allowed the rules to be uncertain. If anybody were now to repeat Mr Cordle's conduct, under the new rules on the declaration of interests laid down in 1974, he would deserve to be expelled. Mr Cordle himself may reasonably be given the benefit of a very fine balance.

The findings on Mr Maudling and Mr Roberts are not so grave, but still serious enough. Both are considered to have acted in a manner "inconsistent with the standards which the House is entitled to expect from its Members ". The offence in both cases was a failure to disclose their interests: Mr Maudling to the House and in his resignation letter as Home Secretarythough the Committee is satisfied that he did adequately disclose his relationship with Mr Poulson to those with whom he dealt outside Parliament-and Mr Roberts in a number of dealings outside Parliament though he was not to blame for his conduct in the House.

In their cases it seems clear that the Committee is raising the possibility not of expulsion, but of censure. There is the same difficulty with them, as with Mr Cordle, of the doubt at that time over the rules governing the declaration of interests. There is also the precedent that would seem to have been established by the Boothby affair in 1941 when Mr Robert Boothby, as be then was, was rebuked by a Select Committee for his failure to declare his financial interest in the matter of certain Czech assets which had been frozen when Czechoslovakia had been invaded by Hitler. Mr Boothby resigned as Parliamentary Secretary at the Ministry of Food but remained an MP. That is a reasonable scale of penalties. A member found guilty by a Select Committee of failing to disclose his interests adequately, but of nothing worse, should be required to resign from the Government but not from the House. That is appropriate for a Parliament that is jealous of its

standards but not unrealistic in

the discipline it imposes.

KEEPING OPTIONS OPEN ON NUCLEAR REACTORS

a nice a complicated mixture of risks around make he and uncertainties about the need and uncertaintee about supply. The matter is being brought to cerned by two events. One is the well publicized inquiry into plans for an expansion of the factories at Windscale, Cumbris, at which waste nuclear fuel from maneful to nimital atomic power stations in Britain respected for cessed to extract reusable respected for cessed to extract reusable respected for stock-Fast Breeder type of reactor, sound so and the long-lived radioactive wastes. The other is a technical review of various reactor be made for the next, and third, programme of nuclear power station building in Britain, In practice these two topics are inextricably linked, and the real danger is that a decision on the second (reactor preference) is going to be made with unnecessary haste without waiting for the outcome of the examination of proposals to build a new type of oxide fuel reprocessing plant at Windscale. The plain fact is that Britain has no urgent need for any sort of additional elecrricity generating station because installed capacity

> cent. Set against the background of available coal and North Sea resources, the proportion of electricity provided by nuclear power of about twelve per cent seems reasonable. Even accepting the

exceeds peak demand by 40 per

All this his ten the use of nuclear power for argument of those who see an Water Reactors has been pre-and the last timbs electricity generation involves energy gap in the 1990s (and that dicated on the use of reprocess-ing the waste fuels. There is, is a fiercely disputed opinion) however, a nuclear reactor system devised without the aim there is no need for precipitate decisions. Past mistakes in this of reprocessing but with the field have shown us the techniexpectation of storing waste fuel cal, economic, political and social factors that form the nuclear over the medium term, forty to fifty years, while leaving the equation. The choice of reactor option for reprocessing at some future date if it were felt desir-able. The reactor called Candu, type is only one of the important terms in this equation. It is of imminent interest because an evaluation of two British reactors, the Steam Generating-Heavy Water Reactor which is developed in Canada, is remarkably successful in the inter-national league table of nuclear. power station performance. If still under development and the that reliability were reproduced Advanced Gas-cooled Reactor in Britain, it would make Candu now coming into operation in the the most economic choice. Yet second programme of atomic by some quirk this reactor was power station building by the home generating boards, and the American Light Water Reactor not included in the review for the Department of Energy. type is being submitted to Mr Another difference between Wedgwood Benn, Secretary of State for Energy, An overwhelming body of professional opinion now discounts the Steam Gener-

Candu and the other three reactors under examination is that it takes a fuel, manufactured from natural uranium, as opposed to enriched uranium. ating system as technically too late for commercial purposes. The Light Water Reactors, once rejected for the United Kingdom Since the enrichment process is a very expensive operation, on safety considerations, remain reprocesing to obtain remaining enriched fractions of uranium becomes an important part of the economics of the nuclear fuel cycle. The Canadians have made mitted to large programmes based on this system. The clear their willingness for collaboration in this technology which, it appears, would give Britain a much wider choice on nuclear policy than is sometimes presented. Proper consideration of this choice is neessary if the soundest nuclear policy is to be formed from the reactor review and the findings of the Windscale inquiry. The installation of light

A LESSON FOR ALL HOSPITALS

The case of Elizabeth Shewan is a tragic one, and carries many chastening lessons for hospitals, manufacturers of medical equipment, and for the Department of Health itself. If the same lessons thad been fully absorbed after a similar accident two years pearlier, Miss Shewan would sprobably be in good health foday. The importance of giving wide publicity to the findings of Thorough investigations in such cases could not be more clearly viemonstrated. But the report of the inquiry into the events at the Westminster hospital in 1975 Shat was published yesterday is buly a shortened version of the poriginal report, containing all the recommendations but no vietails that would allow the andividuals or the manufacturers involved to be identified. Miss Shewan's father has protested that all the facts should be made oublic—not for his own information since he the place and heard all the witnesses, ition, since he attended the hearout to make a more graphic and comprehensive warning against imilar errors in future.

A whole series of shortcomngs led to the accident. The nanufacturers missed a regular risit to service an anaesthetic nachine, the hospital failed to query the omission and pers of its technical staff did botched" repairs at one time or another which made it easy sior an inexperienced nurse to connect an oxygen hose to an soutlet for nitrous oxide by investigation (and the need of

mistake. After the accident, the Department of Health took three months to circulate a warning arising from the inquiry's findings. An earlier internal inquiry at the hospital (which has already accepted liability) found that no individual member of staff had been culpably negligent, and the independent inquiry broadly confirms that the blame is too diffused for it to be worth singling people out for censure. In any event, the identities of the worst botchers were never established.

attractive because many Euro-

pean countries, including France,

Germany, Italy, Switzerland, Belgium and Sweden, are com-

review of the various reactors began before President Carter

declared a moratorium in the

United States on the develop-

ment of reprocessing of waste

nuclear fuels, with the object of

cutting the stockpiles of phito-

nium that has weapons potential.

But should a decision like that be taken in private? Mr Shewan thinks the public have a right to know who made the mistakes, negligent or not. It is true that medical mishaps are often followed up in conditions of professional confidence in which it is possible to suspect the presence of a spirit of "There but for the grace of God . . . There is a risk of causing lay alarm over matters easily misunderstood, and there is a risk of creating a basis for civil proceedings.

The doctors involved in the case were aware of the latter danger, and at the outset of the inquiry refused to give evidence,on legal advice. The committee therefore decided to take evidence in confidence. An inquiry of this kind has no power to subpoena witnesses. If it was to make a complete

actions were responsible and honourable, in spite of extreme

provocation when he personally, and

that, for the sake of others, was obvious), it had to concede the point. The guarantee having been given, it would be wrong to betray it today. But there was another course open, which must have been considered and rejected by the DHSS. That was for the Secretary of State to set up an inquiry under Section 70 of the National Hard the National Health Service Act, 1946. Anyone refusing to give evidence to that would have been liable to a fine or even six months' imprisonment. As in a court of law, a witness could refuse to answer a question on the ground that it might incriminate him—though not on the ground that it might expose

him to a lawsuit. If there had been reason to suspect serious misconduct by individuals, that would have been the right course. But the hospital's internal inquiry had already suggested that this was unlikely, and a Section 70 inquiry tends to be slow, costly and more concerned with culpability than with illumination. It is a pity that the form of the inquiry prevented official identification of the company that manufactured the equip ment. There is no more reason why it should be nameless than the hospital. But it is unlikely that publicly branding the individuals who were the immediate agents of such a complex accident would do anything

always laughter prevailed over fear: the Ghanaians are, perhaps, the most amiable and genial people in some other countries in Africa and olsewhere, Ghana remained a

further to protect other patients

from Miss Shewan's fate.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Coming to terms with Marx

From Mr J. W. Saunders

Sir, Why is it that "conservative" people, including your political cor-respondents, seem unable to adjust to the presence of Marxism in the world and in their own country? A good deal more than half of the world's population must now be Marxist, including not only giants like the Soviet Union and China, but many other countries in Africa, Asia and elsewhere. In this country there are probably more Marxists, of different kinds, than there are liberalsocial-democrats, and their strength is reflected in the NEC of the Labour Party, the Labour Party Conference, and the unions. Britain of course has a long Marxist tradition, older and more secure than that of Germany, France or Italy.

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This hardly appears to be a reason for alarm, still less hysteria. Marrism is a great and humane philosophy, aimed unexceptionally at an equitable sharing of wealth and power among the whole population. Marxists, like everybody else, come in a thousand different varieties. This is inevitable because they come from a thousand different countries or regions. As we all know from our friends, somerimes they are the most humane and civilized members of society, but somerimes potentially, if given the chance, the least humane and the most barbarous. As with the Bible, possession of Des Kapital, has not possession of Das Kapital, has not made much difference to the wide ranges of human nature. There are

It is good to see Marxists at last qualifying for governmental power in France and Italy, as they have been qualified for some years in Germany, and for a long, long time in Britain. I would have thought that we British in this respect as in so much else, had a lot to be proud of. The future will clearly be pluralistic—we shall all have to work together, internationally and nationally, with those whose philosophies we disagree with. This is nothing new nor alarming for human nature: sirer all, we are fundamentally cooperative not, compensive—otherwise there would have been no Ascent of Man.

The real fear, as I see it, is that It is good to see Marxists at last

The real fear, as I see it is that the Marxist contribution is driven into extra-parliamentary activity: guernilla warfare, violence on the streets, mob rule by confrontation, ultimately nuclear war. Classic extrated and 1797 and 1917 Marxisted ultimately nuclear war. Classic examples are 1789 and 1917. More recently, there has been Cambodia, probably the worst tyromy of the world just now. In the future, if things do not change, southern Africa is in peril: shready Mr Nicomo and Mr Mugabe have been driven, like Angola and Mozambique, into rejecting diplomacy and parliaments. On the credit side, where "conservatives" have accepted the facts of Effe, there have been morable successes, against berbarjsm—many of the African countries, Zambia, a shiming example. Hopefully, we might also example. Hopefully we might also there is

and China iried.

Thus, it cannot be "shameless", as George Hutchinson, usually so urbane, suggests, for Mr Callaghan to leep democracy going, or to keep Labour as a coalding. The Thatcher dream must be a kind of mirage. Mrs Thatcher, still has to carry her party into the 20th, never mind the 21st, century, internationally, far mo many "conservatives" back lan Smath in Rhodesia, or find reasons for supporting South Africa, and this is deeply damaging in everything Britain has smod for since the liberation of India, Nationally, far mo many support Mr Ward at Grunwick, and to me he is not moderate or democrat.

moderate or democrat. My own guess is that three years hence we might all of us. Bernard Lovin included, be looking back on this much muligned Cellaghan Administration as one of the best governments, we have had. They have faced the reality of the world as it is, internationally and nationally, and have been holding a precious fort. Who else can?

There is of course no chance at all of a centre-left resligament. Without the support of at least most of the Marxists, such a group would have no base in the unions or in the working class. The real danger is that Labour's social-democrats or the working class, for the Labour's social-democrates of moderates, already ournumbered, will be driven out of the Labour Party, to join a runn Liberal Party, leaving the grants—an extremely Marrised Labour Party still polling high, and on extremely anni-Marrised Conservative Party, bent suicidedly on a final confrontation which would not be resolved in Partiament. I reject, of course, those in Labour who have already lost faith in Westminster (and there are millions). I also reject, of course, those who can offer nothing for the future but fighting to the last man in some kind of Boer langer.

Can we not be much more sensible, pace your correspondents, and accept with grace and intelligence our inevitably plural and markedly Moraized future? And in the process keep our mixed economy democracy and our own precious freedoms in being? We have to contend with inflation. Phase III. and unemployment, and it isn't going to be easy; but that's normal living, sorting our difficulties.
Formatoly, I have hope that in
the end the British people will have
a lot more sense than Mr. Levin, Mr

Yours sincerely J. W. SAUNDERS, 17 Benton Road, Middlesbrough, July 10

langer.

Long distance walking

From Mr Peter A. Lanvon-Orgill Sir, The answer to Mr Golding's question, "Is it worth it?" (July 8) is most certainly in the affirmative. On the average I have walked 5,000 miles a year for the past three decades, wearing a pair of hand-made shoes bought in Norwich for £7 in 1947, and now costing £5 a year in repairs—my progress thus costing one-tenth of a penny a mile. infinitely cheaper than any form of mechanical transport and certainly much healthier.

Yours faithfully, PETER A. LANYON-ORGILL, 50 Queensgate Terrace, SW7.

The Grunwick dispute

From Mr Jack Brown

Sir, I was at Grunwick yesterday (July 11), in the thick of it. I am Charman of Barnsley Trades Coun-cil and a member of the South Yorkshire Police Committee. It really helps no one if you attribute injuries and violence to "renta-mob"; there were a few idiots on both sides who seemed determined to make the situation inflammatory by use of excessive brutality, but the vast majority on both sides were very good humoured antagonists with police and trades unionists

with police and trades unionists chatting to each other during the lulls and sharing a profane joka during the struggles.

Almost all of the injuries were a direct result of the sneer mass of bodies packed into areas that were confined by buildings and strategically placed coaches; when those bodies began to move against each other—frequently with the signal "Testing, testing." "it became rather frightening.

Remarkably, however, there developed unwritten rules of conduct

veloped unwritten rules of conduct whereby both sides called a tem-porary halt whilst someone who had been overcome through pressure, or quite simply fear, was removed from the struggle.

I will not apologize for presence and I will repeat experience and I wan repeat the experience if necessary; people like Ward should appreciate that there is no such thing as "freedom"; there is only "freedom from" and "freedom to" and the two exist in delicare balance.

It is a credit to our system that it It is a credit to our system that it can adapt to a situation like Grunwick yesterday without recourse to state brutality of the nature we have seen in Europe and elsewhere. I, end my fellow trades unionists, admired the behaviour of the majority of the police and the majority of our colleagues. We shall not be happy if we have to repeat the exercise; but repeat we will if necessary, and no amount of law change can alter that. can alter that Sincerely. JACK BROWN.

51 Lamb Lane, Monk Bretton, Barnsley, South Yorkshire. July 12

From Mr Parker Heskett Sir, In your first leader today (July 12), you assert, without any expearance of doubt, that the trade unions are now the only domestic power of whom the Englishman has cause to be aired and that they are cause to be aireid and that they are the only social force which would not be ashamed, or be foolish emough, to use the language or the methods of the bully. It is an assertion which many Englishmen like myself, who closely observe the social and political scene in the country, would contest and refute with an equal lack of doubt.

Whatever criticisms may be laid at the diverse the second and political scene in the country.

at the door of the trades unions in-the use of their undoubted power, it cannot be said to be mayning but overt and bonest in the promotion of the interests of trades union members, whereas mere are regat wing policical movements in the country known to many of us, with-simple funds from unspecified sources, which have objectives which are frightening and repul-sive and, in the opinion of many, constitute a much more ferrsome. threat to society.

Surely, it is a threat which cannot be disregarded, or discounted, by so powerful an agent as the responsible press and surely dislike of some of the practices of the trades unions. the trades unions must not be allowed to blind such agents to the real enemies of a free society.

Yours faithfully, PARKER HESKETT. Evangton. Hastingleigh, Ashford, July 12.

From Mr George Booth Sir Your leader of July 12-" An Abuse of Power"-is fascinating. Abuse of Power"—is fascinating. You take three columns to do what everybody has been warned not to do-bash the unions. "... The trade unions are now the only domestic power of whom the Englishman has cause to be afraid. They are the only social force which would not be assumed, or be foolish enough, to use the kanguage or the methods of the bully."

So, tucked away at the bottom of three bland columns, you spell it out at last—and high time too. Let us take heart from your firm if cautious stand, and let us follow your lead, carefully camouflaged though it is. But let this new stance be clearly and confidently reflected in your later pronouncements. Let upon hashing become respectable. union bashing become respectable and acceptable, desirable and necessay, "Trade unions are willing to use their power more recklessly than they would have thought of doing ten years ago." Well said, But because they do now, they need bashing. OED.

Yours fairhfally, GEORGE BOOTH The Dower House Elstree, Hertiordshire, July 13.

From Mr Tom Litterick, MP for Birmingham, Selly Oak (Labour) Sir, Few trade unionists will accept your notion (July 12) of legitimate picketing as a few men standing around outside a factory gate, perhaps amounting to six or ten in all", to which "no reason-able objection can be made". Those of us who have actually stood on a picket line know from experience that such pickets are easily brushed aside by the police—and usually are—as they are at Grunwick when the Home Secretary or other such august tourists are not present to be impressed. The truth is that no objection is made to such picketing because it is completely ineffective. Your unqualified assertion that;

great numbers are a form of brute force", leaves me unimpressed if only because I can recollect vividly your enthusiastic approval of the great number of ordinary people who recently gathered before Buckingham Palace to affirm their support for the monarchic state and contrast this with your unqualified disapproval of a much smaller crowd of ordinary people who gathered at Grupwicks on July 11 to demonstrate their hostility to low wages and had working conditions. Sincerely

T. LITTERICK, House of Commons. July 13.

Sex Discrimination Act From Mr Francis Bennion

Sir, As the draftsmen of the Sex Discrimination Act, I think it my duty to register a protest against the Court of Appeal decision in the "early leaving" case as reported by you (July 6). It offends both the letter and the spirit of the Act. It must throw the operation of the Act into disarray.

The essential point is simple, In the interests of safety, women em-ployees were permitted to leave the factory five minutes earlier than the men. As appears from the report of the proceedings before the Employment Appeal Tribunal (Peake v Automotive Products Ltd [1977] IRLR 105) the overwhelming majority of the men objected. In a full year it meant they had to work the equivalent of two and a half days longer than the women for

the same money. The EAT held that this "early leaving" rule contravened the Act. In an impeccable judgment, exactly following the tenor of the Act, Mr Justice Phillips said that what is sauce for the goose is now sauce for the gander. Instinctive feelings based on the "women and children first" philosophy "are likely to be the product of ingrained social actitudes, assumed to be permanent but rendered obsolete by changing values and current legislation". Upholding the claim of the male wor

kers, the learned judge continued: "Any other conclusion would involve giving the language of the Act a restricted construction out of deference to our preconceived ideas of what, had there been no Acz, would be sensible in this field. But the case of a reforming Act of this kind, deliberately introducing new ideas and policies, precon- East Su ceived ideas of what is fit are at July 6

House of Lords reform

Sir. I have read Mr Wood's analysis

of why the Labour Party refuses to reform the House of Lords with

great interest. Surely no one could

argue with his explanation of the puritan left's commitment to a uni-

However, he makes no attempt to argue for the continued existence of

a second chamber. My great-grand-

father keenly advocated a reformed House of Lords as Mr Wood points

out. This was because he saw that

in England an effective second

chamber is just as important as the

May I suggest that the powers

statutorily given to the House of Lords should be more frequently used? This would happen if a reformed second chamber represented

the great concentrations of power in

the country. We see increasingly the will of Parliament flouted as

powerful robber barons take to the

streets to defy Parliament and the

From Lord Cranborne

cameral system. ...

House of Commons.

best an uncertain guide, and the only sure course is to follow the words of the Act in accordance with hat appears to be its policy." Now Lord Denning and his col-

leagues have overturned all that. In the first case to reach the Court of Appeal under the Act, the Court reasserts the ingrained social arti-tudes. What is sauce for the goose is not necessarily sauce for the gan-der. If the men had been allowed to leave early (just as efficacious on grounds of safety) the women would have had an undoubted case. Yet the Court ignored the clear words of section 2, which says that provisions protecting women "are to be read as applying equally to the treatment of men. Lord Denning gratuitously threw in the statement that employers who provide mirrors in women's lavatories need nor do so for men !

Mr Justice Phillips said that the view preferred by the Court of Appeal "would certainly result in some cases in the Act not applying where it was obviously intended to ". I respectfully agree with him. If not reversed by the House of Lords this judgment will gravely impair the protection Parliament intended to give—both for men and for women. It will establish the dangerous principle that the Act does not necessarily mean what it says.

I have worked hard for many years to secure clarity and certainty in legislation. The Court of Appeal do not say the Act is unclear, but elect to disregard its plain mean-ing. That has disturbing implications for Parliamentary democracy, and the rule of law. Yours sincerely. . FRANCIS BENNION. Flat 4, 24 St Aubyns, Hove,

laws it has passed. As a result Par-

liament loses its role as the forum

in which power is exercised and

limited. It becomes instead merely

another interest constraining the

executive's freedom of action. How

much better for law and authority

if the Government's intentions are

baulked before-they pass into law

rather than by howling mobs on the

left or infuriated worthies on the

A reformed second chamber which consisted of overmighty sub-

jects would, as in medieval and early

modern times, limit their power by

apparently increasing it and inciden-

tally substantially increase the

power and authority of Parliament

East Sussex.

centre and right.

at the same time.

Prospective Parliamentary

Candidate, South Dorset, Manor House,

Yours faithfully,

CRANBORNE,

Cranborne,

Dorset.

July 4.

Blasphemy as a crime

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From Dr Sped Aziz Pasha

Sir, In your leading article today (July 13), while commenting upon the decision abour a case of blasphemy, you have stated: "If blashests to be a stated of the state of the phemy is to remain a crime, adher-ents of the main non-Christian reli-gions should also be entitled to have the benefit of its protection.'

We are, indeed, grateful to you for advocating equality of treatment for religious minorities living in this country. Last year, we abandoned our idea of instituting legal pro-ceedings for blasphemy against the producers and exhibitors of the film bout our Holy Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings of Almighty Allah be on him) because we were advised by the Attorney General's office in precisely the same terms mentioned in your article, namely, that the common law as it stands today, confines the offence of blasphemy to attacks on the Christian religion only.

However, we believe that legal protection to religious minorities cannot be extended unless their excannot be extended unless their existence is recognized in law. Therefore we would appeal through the
columns of your esteemed newspaper to all Members of Parliament
to give urgent consideration to a
memorandum submitted to them by memorandum submitted to them by our Union earlier this year for granting official recognition of Islam in this country through a bill of Parliament.

Yours faithfully. SYED AZIZ PASHA.
General Secretary, Union of Muslim
Organizations of UK and Eire,
30 Baker Street, W1.
July 13.

From Mr Michael Rubinstein

Sir. After the jury's verdict of guity in respect of both defendants out before sentences were passed on the following day, Mrs Mary Whitehouse, who had initiated the prosecution for blosphemy, was quoted (not by The Times) as saying "A line has at last been drawn and a limit set". The vast majority of the literace propulation, unlike of the literate population, unlike Mrs Mary Whitehouse, have not read the poem which the jury found to be blasphemous, and may now never be able to do so. What use can it be to have a line drawn, carrying penal sanctions when it is overstepped, if the public at large—and at risk—is not to be allowed to know where it is?

to know where it is? Today's issue of Punch has a cartoon depicting Christ walking on the waters towards a boot mained by ten fishermen and the caption reads "Did you hear someone call "Helbo Saikor"?" Who will do God's work and initiate the prosecution of the Editor and proprietors of Punch and of you, Sir, if you publish this letter?

The ultimate blasphemy must be censorship. Yours faithfully,

MICHAEL RUBINSTEIN. Deputy Chairman of the Defence of Literature and the Arts, 5 and 6 Raymond Buildings,

From Mr T. Verschoyle Sir. It is disheartening that when, at long lest, there has been a successful prosecution for obscenity— in this case blasphemous—you, Sir. in this case blasphemous—you, Sir, should try to pick as many holes as possible in the conduct of the trial and in the fully merited sentences. One would have hoped that you might have applauded the condemnation of "a responsible journel", the very existence of which is a scandal, rather than apparently attempt to justify such terrespondent.

Yours faithfully, T. VERSCHOYLE. Bourton House, Nr Gillingham, July 13.

From Mr Charles Lewis

Sir, The connexion between the sexual and the spiritual impulses are so close that the one may be regarded as an aspect of the other. Why should we deny the homo-sexual the right to search for his God in his own way?

And anyway, on a strictly legal point, there is every justification for applying, at the very least, the same test to blasphemous libel as to obscene libel, viz does it tend to outrage/corrupt those who are likely to read it. On that basis the gay people could be left in peace and no one would be any the worse off, except the snooper, who had only himself or herself to blame it. Yours faithfully,

CHARLES LEWIS 10 King's Bench Walk, Temple, EC4. July 13.

From Mr Bernard George Sir, How did Mary Whitehouse come to be reading Gay News in the first place? Yours faithfully,

BERNARD GEORGE, 54A Airger Road, Primrose Hill, NW3. July 12. . . .

Letters after names From A. W. F. Edwards: ScD

Sir, Whilst perusing the universityprospectuses which have been sentto my daughter at her request we have often been puzzled at the strings of letters after the names of some staff members. The following example will serve to indicate how self-defeating are excessive postscripts (I give it just as it appears in the prospectus, devoid of

stops and with inconsistent spacing). The Chancellor's academic distinctions are listed as MA LLM LITT D LLD D LITT DL and the Vice-Chancellor's as PhD DSc Hon D Tech ARCS DIC C Chem FRIC PRS. I was able to supply the purictuation and proper spacing for the first, but I fear the second has defeated me.

Yours faithfully, A. W. F. EDWARDS, 56 Lantree Crescent. Trumpington, Cambridge, July 12.

Events in Ghana rom Dr Reberca Pasner

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ourse, to outrage, and therefore normally refuse to gratify him. However, his remarks (June 21) vis Vice Chancellor of the Univerity of Ghana cannot but arouse ny indignation.

Bir, Bernard Levin intends, of the University, were under attack. His Irish pugnacity was tempered by the moderating influence of Ghanaian colleagues and he bore with personal humiliation in order As a Professor there between 1963

to preserve the University and its - As . for . Nkromah's : Atyranny ", this seems a harsh word for the Ghanaian scene at that time. Almost and 1965, I can testify that O'Brien's

the world and, in compa pleasant and safe place to live. Yours faithfully, REBECCA POSNER, Department of Language University of York,



COURT CIRCULAR

HM YACHT BRITANNIA July 14: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh, attended by the Duchess of Grafton, Sir Philip Mark, Mr Robert Fellowes, Mr Ronald Allison and Major Robin

Ronald Allison and Major Robin broke, observed from his Yacht Britannia at Tees Dock, Middlesbrough, this morning for the Silver jubilee Visit to Cleveland and Durbam.

Having been received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Cleveland (Major Cecil Crosthwaite) and the Chairman of Cleveland County Council (Councillor A. Scott Cunningham), Her Majesty opened No 2 Quay, Tees Majesty opened No Z Quay, Tees Dock, and unveiled a commemora-

Dock, and unveiled a commemorative plaque.

At Prissick School Complex, The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh were received by the Mayor of Aniddlesbrough Borough (Councillor R. Smith) and, after viewing schoolchildren's activities on the playing fields and exhibitions in Bertram Ramsey Higher School Buildings, Her Majesty unveiled a commemorative

plaque.

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh then drove to Durham and were received upon arrival in the Market Place by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Durham (the Lord Barnard) and the Mayor of Durham (Councillor A. Thomp-

After a visit to the Town Hall, Her Majesty and His Royal Highness were received at Owengate by the Vice-Chancellor of Durham University (Sir Derman Curistopherson).

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Upon arrival at the Cathedral (Dean of Durham, the Very Reverend Eric Heaton), The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh were received by the Bishop of Durham (the Right Reverend John Unbassed).

Durham (the Right Reverence John Habgood).

Her Majosty, with His Royal Highness, later honoured the Chairman of Durham County Council (Councillor R. C. Robiuson) with her presence at luncheon in County Hall.

This afternoon, The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh drove to

Mr Evan Luard, Purlismentary Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, was host at a luncheon held at Admiralty House yesterday in honour of the Nepalese Ambassador and Mme Rana. The other success were:

Other guests were:
The Ambassador of Pohistan and Regum
Almas Daulland, the High Commistoner for Sri Land, and Mrs Mondis,
Lard Hunt, the Hon Robert Boscawen,
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AP, and Mrs Boscawen, Louinnant,
Colongi Marrus Lipton, MP, Mr and
Mrs Evan Charlton, Mr A. Keilas, Mr R, du Boulay, Mr and Mrs R. O'Neill
and Mr T. J. Dought.

Council of Christians and Jews The Chief Rabbl, joint president of the Council of Christians and Jews, and Mrs Jakobovits gave a luncheon at their home in Hamil-

ton Terrace yesterday to discuss the future of the council. The

guests were: Cardinal Hume, Archbishop of West-minster, Major-Coneral the Duke of Norfolk, the Earl of Perth, Viscountoss

The Hon Philip Remnant and Miss C. E. C. Cavendish

The marriage took place yesterday at St Margaret's, Westminster,

between the Hon Philip John Remnant, eldest son of Lord and Lady Remnant, of Bear Place, Hare Hatch, Reading, Berkshira, and Miss Caroline Elizabeth Clare

Cavendish, younger daughter of the late Mr Godfrey H. R. Caven-dish and of Mrs Godfrey Coven-dish, of 9 Cheyne Court, London. The Rev J. W. Ratings officiated.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her uncle, Mr Gordon Cavendish, wore a gown of white, wild silk with a train. Her silk tuile veil was held in place by a diamond tiara and she carried a houngest of white corchide, freezies.

diamond tiara and she carried a bouquet of white orchids, freesias, stephanotis and Illies-of-the-valley. James Knight, Barnaby Loennis, the Hon Melissa Remnant, sister of the bridegroom, Miss Diama Buchanan-Jardine and Miss Helen-Hutchinson attended her. The Hon Robert Remnant, brother of the bridegroom, was best man.

A reception was held at the Hyde Park Hotel. The honeymoon will be spent abroad.

and Miss R. A. Page Wood
The marriage took place quietly
on July 14 between Mr Hagh
Teacher, younger son of the late
Brigadier A. Teacher and of Mrs
Teacher, and Miss Rosemary Page
Wood, daughter of the late Sir
David Page Wood, Bt, and of
Lady Paga Wood.

The marriage took place recently n St Marylebone, London, setween Mr John Ben Cannell and Wiss Yvonne Bouffler, of Tot-

The Rev E. A. Sawers, East Kübride, Laremont, Presbytery of Hamilton, to ranstoum, Crichton and Ford, Presbyery of Lothian.
The Rev A. D. K. Arnott, Gorentide, Presbytery of Lothian, to dotherice, Presbytery of Glasgow, The Rev J. T. H. Taytor, Glenesk, resbytery of Angus, to Leslie, Christ's Cirk on the Green, Presbytery of Girkcaldy.

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The Rev. W. G. Beattle, Froscourgh
fret. Probbytary of Buchan, to
trocath Abboy, Probbytory of Angus.

The Rev J. G. Oliver, formerly of
oliock, Presbytery of Cissaow, to
ddrachills, Probbytery of Suherland.

Birthdays today

Church of Scotland

Mr H. M. Teacher and Miss R. A. Page Wood

Marriages

Luncheons

HM Government

received by the Mayor of Harde-pool (Councillor J. W. Mason). Her Majesty opened the Centre and unveiled a commemorative

Having been received at Old Coal Dock by the Chairman, Royal National Life-boat Institution (Major-General R. H. Farrant), (Major-General R. H. Farrant), the Chairman of the Hartlepool Branch of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (Mr James Arkinson) and, later, by the Chief Scout (Sir William Gladstone, Bt). The Queen, with The Duke of Edinburgh, named the lifeboat The Secure

The Scout.

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness were subsequently received at the Old Town Hall, Stockton, by the Mayor of Stockton (Councillor L. Wild). The Queen unveiled a commemorative piaque and, with The Duke of Edinburgh, drove to Tees Dock, Middlesbrough, and embarked in Hill Mechanical The Scout-HM Yacht Britannia.

HAI Yacht Britannia.

Her Majesty and His Royal
Highness gave a Dinner Party on
board, followed by a Reception.

By command of The Queen, the
Lord Winterbottom (Lord in Walting) was present at Heathrow Airport, London, today upon the
arrival of Shaikh Rashid bin Said
al Maktum, Ruler of Dubai and al Maktum, Ruler of Dubai and Vice-President of the United Arab Emirates, and welcomed His Highness on behalf of Her Majesty.

KENSINGTON PALACE

July 14: The Princess Margaret

July 14: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon today visited Hartfordshire and opened Castle Hall, Hertford.

Her Royal Highmess was entertained at luncheon by the Chairman of East Hertfordshire District Council and in the afternoon toured the Lee Valley.

The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon was present this evening at a Pageant of the History of Cheshrut, held at Goffs School, Cheshunt.

Cheshunt.

Her Royal Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight, was attended by The Lady Julier Townsend and Major The Lord Napier and Ettrick.

KENSINGTON PALACE July 14: The Duke of Gloucester, as Parron, visited the Pestalozzi Children's Village Trust, Sedles-

combe. Sussex, today.

His Royal Highness travelled in an aircraft of the Queen's Flight.

In the evening His Royal Highness attended the Silver Jubilee Concert of the National Federation of Music Societies with the London Symphony Orchestra at the Royal Albert Hall.

Licutenant-Colonel Simon Bland

Siansgaio, Mr Harold Lever, MP, and Sirs Lever, the Root Gerard Nacl. Sir Stranger Stranger, Princes Bitzaber, Fr. Golderine, Br. Golderine, Br. William Ress-Mosg. Mr St. Corolb Mrs. B. Wingale, Br. Golderine, Mr S. Scott, Mr S. Levin, Mr S. Wingale, Mr M. Mishrom, Mr S. S. Levin, Mr S. V. Palla, Mr M. Sarrit, Mr M. Davis, Mr D. Kessler, Mr L. Goss, Father John Growley, the Rev Peter Jeanings, Mr R. Periman, Mr P. O'Donovan and Mr R. Grabam.

Mr Denys Randolph, chairman of Wilkinson Match Limited and chairman of Wilkinson Sword Limited, was host at a luncheon sesterday at Cutlers' Hall at which Admiral of the Fleet Sir Edward Ashmore, Chief of the Defence Staff, presented the 1976 Sword of Peace Awards to units of the

Peace Awards to units of the Armed Forces. The awards are made annually in recognition of the Services to establish friendly, relationships with the communities in which they are establish and the part of the Services to establish friendly.

in which they are stationed. Among those present were:
Lavinia Duthess of Norfolt, Admiral für Raymond Lyve, Concret Sir Roland Gibbs. Air Chief Morsal Sir John

Sword of Peace

Forthcoming marriages

Mr W. S. Brereton and Miss E. A. Peto The engagement is announced between William, son of Mrs S. M. Brereton, of Hook Norton, Oxfordshire, and of the late Mr R. S. Brereton, and Elizabeth, daughter of Dr and Mrs M. J. Peto, of Bromyard, Herefordshire.

Mr C. R. H. Hardy and Miss C. M. Jap

The engagement is announced between Robert, elder son of Dr and Mrs K. W. Hardy, of Borden-Hall, Kent, and Chee Miau, eldest daughter of the late Dr A. C. Jap and Mrs Jap, of Singapore.

Mr C. J. Kilduff and Miss A. Cowper

The engagement is announced between Christopher, elder son of Group Captain and Mrs J. E. Kilduif, of Bournemouth, Dorset, and Anne, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs J. F. Cowper, of Potters Bar, Hertfordshire.

Mr R. S. M. MacDougall and Miss H. T. M. van Tilborg The engagement is aumounced between Raibeart, cidest sob of Dr and Mrs Iain MacDougall, of Watton-at-Stone, Hertfordshire, and Helen, fourth daughter of Mr and Mrs Gerard van Tilborg, of St Albans.

Mr T. B. Smit and Miss L. C. Pinsent The engagement is announced between Tim, son of Mr and Mrs J. A. B. Smit, of Daneswood, Monkswalk, South Ascot, and Candy, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs C. R. Pinsent, of The Chestnuts, Castle Hill, Guildford.

Mr A. Waters and Miss E. Newman

The engagement is announced between Alan, son of Mr and Mrs G. W. F. Waters, of Kemsing. Kent, and Elizabeth, daughter of Mr and Mrs H. M. Newman, of Torquay, Devon.

Christening

Service dimer

Liverpool University OTC

Liverpool University OTC held a guest night at Aldershot Training Camp yesterday. The guests included the honorary colonel, General Sir Noel Thomas, Brigadier A. Field, WRAC, and Professor W. D. Williams, Major A. Cross, RA, presided.

The infant son of Mr and Mrs Hodson Thoruber, of Chicago, United States, was christened Benjamin Thomas Hodson on Saturday, July 9, at St Peter's Church, West Liss, by the Rector of Liss, Canon Norman Barnett. The godparents are Mr Geoffrey Ford, Mr S. A. Kessler and Mrs T. Roberts.

Sir Richard Powell, Sir Anthon MP. Licutesani-Colone!
L. Mr R. Soxali, Commander Sicano, RN. Lleutesani-Colon Morial, Group Capitain, J. V. Grup Capitain, J. V. Grup Capitain, J. V. Grup Capitain, J. V. Grup Capitain, C. S. Sirossio and Vera L. WCErley, W.R.S. Londore Joy Tamblin, W.R.S. Lordow, Mr S. P. Beripolomew, N. Barilett, Mr P. B. Burke, J. Christobarson, Mr A. G. Christobarson, Mr A. G.

Receptions Lord Denman and Lord Elton Lord Denman and Lord Elton were hosts at a reception for members of the Bahrain Society held at the House of Lords last night. Those present included: present ipcluded:
The Ambassador of Bahrain, president
of the society. Sir George Middleton,
chairman, and Latry Middleton, Shakin
Abdulraliman bin Rashid Al-Rhalis and
Shakha Mayin Al-Khalis and Shakh
Suman bin Da'il Al-Rhalis.

of the artist's birth this year.

Anglo-Jewish Association Anglo-jewish Association
The president of the Anglo-jewish Association and Mrs Victor Lucas were hosts at a reception held at St. John's Wood yesterday in Lonour of the retiring Israeli Consul General and Mrs Ze'ev Suffot. Among those present

Were: The Israel Ambassador and Mrs. Sandran Lady Mooraring Israeli Consul General, the Incoming Israeli Consul General, the Chief Rabbi and Mrs Jakobovits, the Haham and Mrs Gaon, the Emerius Chief Rabbi and Lady Brodle, Viscount and Viscountess Samuel, Lord and Lady My Justice and Lady Mocaria, the Hon Greetile Janner, OC. MP, and Mrs Janner, Mr Neville Sandelson, MP, and Mrs Sandelson, And Dr Bastl Bard, Gapuly president, and Mrs Bard,

Dinner Lord Mayor

The Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress entertained at a state banquet in the Mansion Honse yesterday the Lord Chancellor and Lady Elwyn-Jones, the Lord Chief Justice and Lady Widgery, the Master of the Rolls and Lady Denning, the President of the Family Division, Sir George Baker, and other of her Majesty's judges at home and from overseas; members of the legal profession, aldermen, sheriffs, members of the Court of Common Council and officers of the Corporation of London, and their ladies. The toast of the Judges was proposed by the Lord Mayor and responded to by the Lord Chief Justice. The health of the Lord Chief Justice. The health of the Lord Mayor and the Lord Mayor replied. Other guests included:

Sir Lionel and Lety Denny, Livetranger, Colonel Sir lan and the Ron Lary banquet in the Mansion Honse

A drawing of a seated lion by Rubens. It is included in an exhibition

that opens at the British Museum today to mark the 400th anniversary

RAF graduation.

Air Vice-Marshal M. C. Air Vice-Marshal M. C. S. Shepherd, Air Officer Administration, Strike Command, was reviewing officer when 29 officers of
No 313 Course, Yellow Squadron,
graduated from the RAF Officer
Coder Training Unit, Henlow,
yesterday.

The Superior Marit tree was

yesterday.

The Sword of Merit was won by Pilot Officer Graham Sheeley, aged 23, of the general duties pilot branch. He also won the British Aircraft Corporation Trophy for the best all-round performance on the course. The Sash of Merit was presented to Pilot Officer Wendy Falkus, WRAF, aged 24, of the administrative/secretarial branch.

The professional studies prize was won by Flying Officer Harel Howard, WRAF, aged 23, of the administrative/education branch.

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Today's engagements

The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh disembark at New-castle Oney, 10, and visit Type and West, and Northumberland; fly from Woolsington, 5.15, to Heethrow, 6.40, arrive Windsor, 6.55.

Windsor, 6.55.
The Prince of Wales visits
Staffordshire, arrives Rugeley station, 9.30.
Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother attends Dundee University graduation ceremony, 10.10, and opens police headquartess, Dundee, 3.
Princess Margaret, Patron, St. Pancras Housing Association, opens new houses in Somers Town, 3.
Military, hand concert London.

"Links and Chains", jubilee programme of Afro-Caribbean Grama and folk ballet, Main Hall, Kensington Town Hall, 7.30.

Pain House promenade concert, Kew Gardens, band and trumpe-ters; Royal Military School of Music, 8.

A memorial service for Marchio-ness Camden was held in the Grosvenor Chapel, South Andley Street, yesterday. The Rev David Thurburu-Huelin officiated and

Fire Brigade, Tower 12-2. Links and Chains."

Memorial service

Marchioness Camden

band concert, London Brigade, Tower Place,

James Joyce collection of

books to be sold Inflation has forced the National Book League to sell its Harieti Shaw Weaver collection of books by and about James Joyce. This great collection, including about 20 books inscribed by the author to Miss Weaver, is valued at

140,000.

Unfortunately none of the obvious national libraries in Britain or Ireland could buy the collecting : in some-cases became that would duplicate existing holdings, in others because they could not raise the money.

So the collection has been kept intact and sold to the University of Tulsa, Oklahoms, a centre for James Joyce studies and publisher of the James Joyce Quarterly. The National Book League is investing the proceeds of the sale to produce urganity needed additional income.

Arbitration on Welsh Opera plan

The management streamlin-ing under which Mr Michael Geliot, artistic director of the Welsh National Opera, would Welsh National Opera, would lose his job is to go to arbitration. After criticism by the Welsh Arts Council which said that the opera company's management was top heavy, the company agreed on changes under which Mr. Geliot, aged 43, would be redundent. redundent.

A statement yesterday, framed by Mr Gelior and by Lord Davies, the opera company's chairman, quoted a report by Equity, of which Mr Gelior is a member, which said that there was "no possible ground for the redundancy of the post of artistic director". Mr Geliot said he had been assured that Welsh Arts Council criccisms of the Welsh Drama Company four months ago were not a reflection on his integrity and ability. He had, however, asked the Arts Council of Great Britain to hold an inquiry. The opera company still

wants to proceed with the changes disclosed on Tuesday, but said yesterday that Mr. Geliot had not been made redundant. In the light of criticism of the proposal the matter would go to arbitration.

Children's book awards

The Library Association's awards for outstanding children's books of 1975 were amounted yesterday. The Carnegle Medal goes to Jan Mark for Thurners and Lightnings, published by Kestrel, and the runner-up is Peter Dickinson, for its novel The Blue Hawk, published by Gollance.

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The Kace Greenawsy Award goes to Gall Haley for her picture book. The Post Office Cat, published by Bodley Head. The rimmers-up are: Graham Oakley, The Church Mice Adrift (Macmilian), Maureen Roffey, Tinker Tailor (Bodley Head) and Joanna Troughton, How the Birds Change their Feethers (Blackie). The gwards will be presented in the sutium.

Professorship for MP

Mr Gerald Fowler, Labour MP for the Wrekin, has been for the Wrekin, has been appointed a professor associate in the department of government, Brune! University. He will continue to sit in the House of

writer on art history as well as general historical subjects, died 1966 saw the appearance of The Victorians. The Flowering of the Middle Ages (ed), and The

general historical subjects, then
on July 14 at the age of 84.
Joan Evans was born in 1893,
the deughter of Sir John Evans
and haif-sister of Sir Arthur
Evans, Her father, an authority
on the sequence of flint implements, was 70 at her birth, her Consugs.

A rapid worker, with the good fortune of leisure to devote herself indistractedly to the book in hand, she wrote with ease and clarity, carrying our her research on frequent visits helf-brother, the excavator of Knossos was 42 She thus had from her earliest age kinks with the great archaeological events of a previous generation, and grew up in an amosphere where archaeological pursuits were the dominant preoccupa-

DAME JOAN EVANS

Historian of French and English

medieval art

Her history of her family, Time and Chance, was one of her most notable books. In 1921 she read her first learned paper she read per first learned paper of an art historical conference in Paris, and in that year she published her first book. English Jewellery. She was then librarian at St Hugh's College, Oxford, of which she had earlier been an undergraduate member and was later to be an Honorary Fellow. to be an Honorary Fellow, but from 1922 she devoted her self to writing and an impres-sive list of books grew from year to year. ..

OBITUARY

Jewellery and pattern re-mained her chief interest, but her Life in Medieval France published in 1925 showed an interest in the general historical background of the arts, rarer then than it has now become, and her Monustic Life in Cluny (1931) was to lead up to two of her most important books, her most important books, Romanesque Architecture of the Order of Clump (1938) and Clumiac Art of the Romanesque Period (1950). She was however always ready to branch aside to other subjects, the French eighteenth contary; a transla-tion of Joinville; Chareau-briand; Ruskin.

fer John Ruskin (1954) was followed two years later by the first volume of The Diaries of John Ruskin (1874-1889). Subsequent volumes edited with John Howard Whitehouse, appeared in 1958 and 1959, in 1956 she also published her History of the Society of 1956 she also published her History of the Society of Antiquaries and in 1959 appeared in addition to the third volume of the Diaries, The Lamp of Beauty a selection from Ruskin's writings on err, and Madame Royale; a hography of The Duchess of Angouleme, the surviving daughter of Louis XVI and Marie Autometre. Manastic

Dame Joan Evans, DBE, FSA, appeared in 1964 and in the FRHists, who was a prolific following year her auto-writer on art history as well as biography, Prelude and Fugue.

her research on frequent visits
to France or from her flar at
Campden Hill Court, and then
withdrawing with a load of
notes and card indices to her
Gloucestershire home at
Wotton-under-Edge. Sometimes there were slips and errors in the details which suggested too great speed and a slightly impatient desire to construct a general picture and pass to some other field; but her work

general picture and pass to some other field; but her work constitutes a great body of information on French and English medieval art. Among various academic distinctions she was a DList of London University (1930), DList of Oxford University (1932), Hon Littl of Cambridge (1955), and Fellow of University College, London (1950). She was made at FRSL in 1973 in which year she won the Gold Medal of the Society of Antiquaries. She was made a DBE in 1976.

She played a prominent part in English archaeological societies and was President of the Royal Archaeological insutute (1948-51), President of the Society of Antiquaries of the Society of Antiquaries of the Bristol and Chonomer archaeological societies. She was a Trustee of the London Museum (1951-69) and of the Bristsh Museum (1963-67).

Tall and imposing with a slightly old-fashioned dignity and a careful, lodividual style in cross, she presided admirably at many gatherings and conferences. France recognized her contribution to French studies by making her Cheva-

conferences. France recognized her contribution to French studies by making her Chevaler de la Legion d'Homeur and honorary member of many learned societies. Her most suriking gesture to the county she loved so well was her purchase of the Cluniac chapel of the Berzelaville and presentation of it to the municipality of Macon. She made also various gifts to the British Museum san was a Member of the Advisory Committee of the Victoria and Albert Museum. Her private graphy of The Duchess of Albert Museum. Her private Angouleme, the sorvenus generosity to needy students daughter of Louis XVI and and scholars was nearly always Marie Antoniette. Monastic anonymous and its full extent Architecture in France from the known only to one of two Renaissance to the Revolution intimate friends.

MR HERBERT WALKER

Mr Harbert Walker, head List, the School went from master of King Henry VIII sprength to swength, as the School, Coventry, from 1950 sprength to swength, as the sound 1974 died suddenly on July 6 after attending the Landbidge, as well as futured Lunior School Speech Day.

He was educated at Batley Grommar School, mok a first class homours degree (London University) at University College Nottingham, and taught refused in take on places at the Modern Languages at High school, Welker directed his Percentent School, Nontragiam. In 1944 he was accorded to the Foreign Office, joined what was become the Control Commission set up to reorganize German education after the war, and became a regional educa-tion officer in 1945 in Germany, then deputy derector and finally Director of Education Branch in 1949. In these positions his

distanction as an administrator became manifest and undoubled to his appoint edly contributed to me appointment as freatmaster.

He took over a school which had suffered badly in the war. Its pupils had been scattered and its buildings devastated by bombing. Assembly had still to be held in the open air. Durthe twenty-four wears that folthe twenty-four years that fol-lowed, Walker's patient deter-mination brought about the reforbishing of damaged class-

rooms, the construction of a splendid Hall and library and the extension of the Junior School. The school expanded and floorished both academically and at games. After it was nectured to the Direct Const. ally and at games. After it was He leaves a widow, two sons restored to the Direct Grant and one daughter.

Ratherine Stinson Otero, who first piloted an aeroplane in editor of The Hindu, the Indian 1913; and was believed to be the first "sky writer", died in Madras on July 3. He Sama Fe on June 8, aged 86.

aiways, smoot high scadess standards and freedom of the be neglected with the control of the ber this year.

Generations of populs remember his great qualities, particularly his scholarship, at tegrity, kindliness and comparison as well as his shrewdies, discretion and clarity of mind He inspired an affectionate re spect m all who knew him including his fellow headmasters whom he had served as Chairman of the HMC Direct Grant. Committee. He also served on the execusive committee of the promotion Committee of the University of Warwick and was for many years Churchwarden and Lebrarian at Coventy

Oxford University class lists: chemistry, psychology, philosophy, theology



minster, yesterday.

Fir Colin Anderson, 73; Mr Julian Fream, 44; Sir Douglas Busk, 71; Lord Edmund-Davies, 71; Air warshal Sir Paterson Fraser, 70; vir R. Hammond Innes, 64; Sir Percy Lister, 80; Miss Iris durdoch, 58; Lord Shackleton, i6; Mr Ron Smith, 62.

Association of Women n Public Relations

or Roy Strong was host to the association of Women in Public telations at a private view of the 'abergé Exhibition at the Victoria nd Albert Museum last night. Mr Cenneth Snowman gave a short

endringham

iandringham House is to be closed on the public from Monday until august 8, inclusive, while Queen lizabeth the Queen Mother is a residence. The gardens will be losed from July 26 until August 2 until august 3 until



Mr Philip Remnant, eldest son of Lord and

Lady Remnant, and Miss Caroline Cavendish after their marriage at St Margaret's, West-

University news

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Sir Richard Doli, aged 64, Regius

Professor of Medicine at Oxford since 1969, is to be the first Warden of Radcliffe College, which is being founded by the university manily for postgraduate students of clinical medicine.

The appointment, announced by the Hebdomadal Council is being made so that Sir Richard can be fully involved in the planning of the new society. He will take up his new post on October 1, 1979, when he will retire from his regius chair, and hold office until September 30, 1983.

The college is to be established in the buildings of the Radcliffe



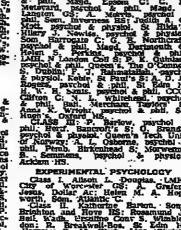
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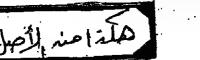
St Hilda's College; E. C. Constable, St Catherine's College; and M. H. Lerin, Keble College, Michel Scholarships; R. S. Hughes, formerty of King Edward VI S. Southampton, and R. F. Sommers, formerty of Hymers C.

Manchester (UMIST)
Dr Robert Ramage, senior lecturer at Liverpool University, has been appointed to a chair in organic chemistry. Professor E. H. Rhoderick, head of the department of electrical engineering and electronics, will succeed Professor K. M. Entwisde as Dean for one year from January 1. Other appoonuments:

science; C. C. Keu, applied Enquisites and modern languages; I. C. J. Wood ophthalmic optics.



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ment's major price investigation powers covered by the Price Commission Bill now passing through the Lords. These powers will allow wide-ranging inquiries by the Commission, with

power to freeze prices.

But if the Government cannot produce a White Paper on pay policy it is already committed to discontinuing profit margin controls, the major part of a one-year price code, which it is proposing to bring in as part of its

Part of the pay sanctions would operate through the margin controls in the code. This particularly applies to

But once the Price Commission Bill

ments in another way.

The Bell extends the file of the Remuneration, Charges and Grant, Act, 1975 until July 1978, which to some

extent covers questions on pay a well as dividend control. This would allow dividend control to be command for a year, which might well be seen by the Government as an equitable more if pay cancilous were also retained.

The Price Commission would be able to investigate under its new powers any pay serilement thought to be excessive. But that would largely depend on the Department of Employment issuing a certificate to that effect. Whether the Department of Employment would feel able to do that in the absence of established norms seems en to doubt. Moreover it seems unlikely that the

set itself up as a pay norm arbiter. Hitherto the Government position on the one-year price code in discussion with the Confederation of British Indusary and the TUC has been that if there was no phase three pay agreement the

Department of Employment guidance

The CBI had already become alumed that a code would be retained by the production of a token White Paper on pay relying possibly only on some sort of understanding on a 12-month standstill between pay claims.

It was not entirely discounted in Whitehall last night that the Government might law down a pay policy in broad terms, thus allowing it to keep the code. This could give a political advantage since it was the TUC which had insisted on retention of the code. But it would also leave the pay sauc-

Exports show marked recovery despite trade gap of £287m in June

By David Blake

Britain's trade gap widened £36m to £237m in June, but in fact the figures were good. The deficit was caused by \$250m worth of imports of equipment reeded for the North Sea, which cil companies brought in to take advantage of

Something like two-thirds of all the oil equipment expected to come in during the whole of the summer has thus been com-pressed into a single month, distorning the totals.

The underlying trend suggests that we should be in surplus on our current account for the year as a whole. Invisibles such as tourism earn a surplus of about \$220m, so the June current account deficit was \$55m. The good news did not just come on the payments side. The rolume of exports rose by 5 per-cent over May, thus reversing the drop which had occurred in

that month. If the three-month period to the end of June is looked at, total exports were up 6 per cent in volume terms while imports rose by only 1 That import facrease conceals

an actual fall in manufactured imports, which were high in the first quarter as companies stocked up with foreign goods. If notoriously erratic products such as ships and aircraft are excluded, the volume of manufactured exports rose by nearly 4 per cent in the second quarter over the first three months of the year.

Examination of the performance of individual sectors shows just how great can be the swings from one month to another, with motor vehicles showing a sharp drop in exports in June (imports were up) after good exports in May. One export where improved performance is obviously part-of a trend, however, is oil,

Swiss and West German central banks today took action to cut domestic interest rates

to help check the flight from the dollar into the Swiss franc

and the Deutsche mark, In what a Swiss national bank

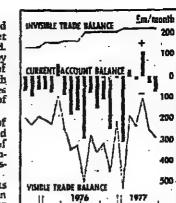
in what a Swiss battoom cannot spakesman described as a "concerted action" with the German federal bank the authorities cut bank rate and Lombard rate by

and 2.5 per cent, respectively. In Frankfurt the federal bank

council at its meeting today also decided to cut the Lombard rate

—at which banks can horrow against collatera!—no 4 per cent from 4.5 per cent. Bank rate was left unchanged at 3.5 per

But the federal bank decided



which has been the driving force behind a 12 per cent increase in the second quarter's volume of exports. In June alone the balance of payments on the oil account improved by £121m.

seen a big turn round on the so heavily to the trade deficit from 1973 onwards.

In the third quarter of last our the deficit on oil was year the deficit on oil was \$1,043m; in the second quarter of 1977 it was down to £696m, and would have been even better but for low exports in May. Production from the North Sea is now growing so fast that the deficit will soon be turned into a befty surplus which will pay for our deficit on everything else.

Just how large the deficit on the rest of our trade will be

the rest of our trade will be depends cruckilly on whether manufacturers can go on increasing sales abroad and what happens to imports.

These are being held down at the moment by the low lavel of demand in the economy, but could obviously increase quite

could obviously increase quite sharply if there were any signi-

the domestic money market where call money rates had hovered around the 4.5 per cent

level last mouth despite the injection of DM4,800m (over £1,000m) of liquidity into the commercial banking system at the beginning of June.

He also hoped today's action would help to slow the speed of the dollar's fall, although he

added that it was not the policy

of the German authorities to

mental weekening of another

On this afternoon's showing the move met with some success. The dollar, which had been fixed at midday at DM2 2840 advanced in the control of the control of

been fixed at midday at DM2.2840, advanced in the afternoon to close in Frankfurt at around DM2.2912-2.2922.

have been under pressure since

the dollar began its decline, also recovered somewhat against

country's currency.

Germans and Swiss lower

interest rates to help dollar

Sealed lips over a deal shrouded in 'Irish mist

Not for the first time, the activities of Tara Exploration and Development are shrouded in what has been politely and euphomistically described as

The Irish-Canadian company, which is more Irish than Canadian and has a major lead, zinc deposit at Navan, co Meath, Irish Republic, is buying Meath, Irish Republic, is buying another one million shares (some 14 per cent) in Northgate Exploration, another Irish-Canadian company, for \$7.50 a share, 53 per cent on last night's price of \$4.90.

The Northgate-Tara companion in increases the least the last

is incessions, to say the least (which is not altogether uncom-mon in the mining world), with cross holdings and five common directors, or officers.
The \$7.5m proceeds from the sale will go to three trusts'
"whose possible beneficiaries
could include among others the families of P. J. Hoghes, M. McCarthy and M. Gilroy, as Northgate rather coyly outs it, and two companies, one of which is owned by the trusts: Mr Patrick J. Hughes, in fact, is president of Northgate and a director of Tara. Mr Michael McCarthy is president of Tara, and Mr Matthew Gilroy is a vice-president of both.

The Tara purchase has unset many and left others, including the Irish Government, mystified. The upset has come from those who had piled into Northgate on persistent rumours in Toronto and Dublin that Northgate was going to be taken over.
Rumours fuelled the share
price to a "high" for the year
of \$6; before the shares were
suspended on Wednesday.
But with Tara having disclosed that it would now have 22 per cent of Northgate and did not intend to buy any more

shares, the price dropped to \$55} when the listing was restored in what was the heaviest turnover in Northgate shares for a long time.

The mystification has come from what exactly Tara and its discount to the state of the sta directors are up to. With long-term debt in the last balance sheet of \$90.3m, Tara, re-portedly, has raised a loan from a Canadian bank to meet the

Northgate is comparatively cash rich and the London merchant bank Lazards, which has advised Tara, says the purchase price is below the aggregate value of Northgate.

Apart from Northgate, other corporate shareholders in Tara are Noranda (19.93 per cent), Cominco (17.43 per cent) and Charter Consolidated (10.75). Cominco attempted in 1974 to take-over Tara, but Noranda intervened and bought enough shares in the market to upset the scheme. Ever since the three majors

have had a representative on Tara's board. However, Noranda's accounts show that it has lent \$23m to unspecified parties i secured against shares in Tara.

The weaker members of the European currency make, which The belief that Noranda is involved in this latest episode has been increased by reported sightings of senior Norauda executives in the company of Rowever, Frankfurt dealers were sceptical as to whether these moves will stem the dollar's decline in the longer Tara/Northgate directors
Dublin this week.

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However, all the parties are being tight hipped. The Tara and Northgate directors were said to have been involved in meetings at their joint offices in Dublin and unable to take a telephone call, while Charter Consolidated has helpfully said.

"no comment" and Cominco and Noranda have so far not responded to inquiries.
But Northgate shareholders, excluding Mr Hughes et al, might like to have a little more

Desmond Quigley

Antiquaries She played Day of decision for Mr Healey on size of cut in income tax

She played a promise ocieties and was free-espondent one (1948-51). Profiler e most immediately importicately of Antiquia decision that will emerge that office, and holy is likely to be whether archaeological society some or all of the 2p cut stustem (1951-69) he standard rate of income lartisem (1951-69) he which he proposed in his Tall and impose ying that tax cut to an acceptightly old-facility ying that tax cut to an acception.

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made a mistake in trying to make tax changes "conditional" in the first place; if he does not he risks bringing more unpopularity on the Government and also possibly deepening the recession in the economy.

out (or, as seems more likely, a modified form of it and some

concessions on personal allow-ances) he will seem to have

down would be reinforced by withholding the tax concessions which formed an integral part of the Budget strategy.
In his talks with the unions Mr Healey was constrained by the fact that even if he had thought it worth giving large extra concessions to the unions extra concessions to the unions he would have run into problems with the International Monetary Fund's £8,700m ceiling on public sector borrowing. The forecast is thought to show that, if the 2p off the standard rate were given, the Chancellor would have little room for manoeuvre.

Not giving large extra handouts is a different thing from withholding those which are already planned; bowever. The case for giving the concessions, which are expected to increase the PSBR this year by £790m, is reinforced by the fact that if the recession-induced element is removed from the PSBR the Government's stance now is

Mr Healey will be watched today to see if he chooses to go ahead with tax concessions worth almost as much as the 2p cut but chooses to use part

of the money to increase per-sonal allowances, as proposed by two Tribunite MPs, Mr Jeffrey Rooker and Mrs Audrey Wise. If he does so, their proposal, which was carried as an nent to the Finance Bill, may be modified to give more help to families. Two other issues remain in doubt. One is exactly how the

Government will implement its clear intention of trying to hold down pay in the public sector. The other is what chance remains for an autumn package to reflate, assuming the Government survives.

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British Foods, Spillers and RHM, the largest groups in the

Mr Garry Weston, chairman of ABF, the largest bread company in the country, said: "We are very pleased with the vindication that the industry got."

Re explained his company's policy of not implementing a price rise worth ip a lost which has been cleared by the Price Commission. His decision means that prices throughout the industry are pegged. "Ve know there are other cost escalations coming. We have escalations coming. We have got a feeling in the wind that there may be a flour price in-cresse later in the summer.

the large baking companies made agreements in the early 1970s limiting discounts and other incentives. "We regret to other incentives. "We regret to find that particulars of these agreements had not been fur-nished to the director-general mished to the director-general of fair trading", it went on In May the three Jurgest groups told the Restrictive Practices Court that they would not again fall to notify the director-general of restrictive agree-

The commission found that those companies accounted for 80 per cent of flour supplied Generations of Ffeed mainly to "the effects of some supplied in this grat fautory price courol and particularly his shasher forms of official intervention and clarified an allow of the stand of the said. "We conclude", it said, "that ABF, RHM and some as well as his MF-John Freezr, Minister of Spillers, by each requiring its fisher price and clarified of the said in a written their requirements from the processing his fellower call for immediant action by noting their respective affairs. pert in all who benumous answer that there was proud's own mills as far as it is necluding his fellowed call for immediate action by possible to do so, are so consider the fact of the commission said there as to prevent or restrict committee. He always a disparity between mill-committee. He always and baking profits, partly floor and Brend, Stationary between of Userola Committee of Userola Office, £2.25.

Three thousand workers at Solihull and the Leyland body factory at Castle Bromwich have

It is expected they will be able to resume work after the annual holiday which begins

laid off because of the

The excess relates mainly to expenditure allotted for essential engineering works for which the corporation had budgeted No further increases, are to but was unable to carry out during the financial year ended mission's figures show to be £36.6m, has been used up. The work, involving replace-

In practice, given a condi-tional voluntary undertaking already made by British Gas, this should mean that prices ment of mains gas supplies, was held up because so many en-gineers were attending to com-plaints about gas leaks which followed the spate of explosions after the Christmas holiday.

British Gas said it was im-

puted, arose because it used dif-ferent accounting procedures to those of the Price Commission. this.

The notice, served under section 6 (2) and (3) of the Counter-Inflation Act, 1973, requires that "no increase shall be made in any price or charge" until the corporation's profits have been reduced by The Price Commission cal-culates that this is the amount

of the excess over the reference leyel arising in the 12 months, ended March 1977. In the previous year British
Gas reported a consolidated
profit of \$25.1m on a turnover
of £1.565.6m.

In its financial statement for 1976-77, due to be published this month, it is likely to show profits of about £30m on a turnover of about £2,000m. It says this is well below the 2 per cent it is allowed to earn by the Price Code.

Maple sells its key London site for £11.25m

Maple and Company (Hc.d. ings), the furniture stores group, has finally shed its Tot-tenham Court Road property development in central London. Five years since work started on Maple House and three years since the group talked of an eventual development value of £25m, the freehold building has been sold to Viprale Properties for £11.25m.

By Our Figurdial Staff

for £11.25m.

Vipvale is a consortium brought together for this particular deal by agents Henry Davis and Co and controlled by Bernard Sunley Investment Trist and the finance group London Mercantile Corporation. The new owners acquire 114,800 sq ft of office and show-troom space, more than half of which is already occupied, as well as a 51,000 sq ft store let to Maple at a concessionary rent.

Maple will reopen on its tradi-

But the federal bank decided to ease the terms of one of its money market instruments. Commercial banks will now be able to discount bills with the federal bank for 10 days at 32 per cent compered with 4 per cent previously. Dr Otmar Emminger, president of the federal bank, said the German moves were designed to ease conditions on TSB loans plan goes ahead after pay terms agreed

By Christopher Thomas
Union blacking of a personal
loans service to have been
introduced by the Trustee Savings Bank more than seven months ago is to be lifted.

The TSB will announce on
July 28 when it will start issuing personal loans and other
credit facilities. August 1 is the most likely date.

Blacking was imposed by the

Marional Union of Bank Employees (Nube) because the Department of Employment veroed a deal between Nube and the TSB to give rises to managers and some second officers because of extra responsibilities.

The department said the deal, giving up to 5700 a year extra to managers, was not acceptable under phase two of the incomes policy. A formula has now been agreed based on an estimate of the number of addi-tional hours that managers will be engaged on "new responsibilities".

It is expected to mean be-tween £175 and £225 a year for managers and pro rate amounts for some second officers, effecrive from August 1. Mr William Whiteman, Nube

assistant secretary responsible for the ISBs, said vesterday that the two sides had agreed to boost the figures to the full amount originally agreed when incomes policy allowed. Implementation of the full deal would give 55,400 to 56,400 for the lowest paid branch manager and £7,700 to £9,500

for the top grade.

Mr Whiteman said the full agreement would mean replacing second office grades with a new assistant manager grade, giving increases of at least £400 a year with a range of \$4,000 to \$4,980 for an average sized branch.

Wall Street The New York power failure prevents us from publishing any of yesterday's American market

prices.

Chloride strikers back on Monday

The two-month-long sit-ins by 4,500 workers at two factories in Manchester and Dagenham belonging to Chloride, the international battery manufacturing group, end on Monday.

A new bonus scheme giving an extra 14p an hour if production targets are met was accepted yesterday.

ATKINS BROTHERS (HOSIERY)

🐃 The year under review was a difficult one, but due to an upsurge in trade during the third quarter of the year, more satisfactory figures were produced **

Mr. D. Styles, Chairman

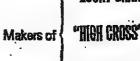
The following are salient points from the Chairman's Statement to Shareholders:

Group profits for the year ending 31st March 1977, amounted to £509,100 (£326,965), taxation takes £276,188 (£163,888), leaving a net profit of £232,912 (£163,077).

On the 24th January 1977, we paid an interim dividend of 0.875p per share, and we now recommend a final dividend of 2.414p per share, this being the maximum allowed under present legislation.

The Company, because of its planning and investment over the last few years, is in a very good position to take advantage of any opportunities available to it. I am pleased to say my colleagues go out and make

those opportunities as far as possible. "LUCKY BHARM"



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Director and Secretary.

mission to absorb excess profits which it claims have been made by British Gas. be allowed until the profits excess, which the Price Com-

will be held at least uptil next, April.
However, there is no question

By John Whitmore

£40.880m.

Rises

Distillers

Financial Correspondent

A freeze on gas prices has been ordered by the Price Com-

of any rebace nor that the 10 per cent increase imposed, on April 1 after intervention by

portunt that this work was done as soon as possible and the money will therefore be spent

Mr Beno, Secretary of State for during the current financial Energy, will be waived year. The schedule attached to According to British Gas the the notice with which it has excess over the profit reference been served by the Price Com-Growth in money supply

accelerated last month costing which was required by
the International Monerary
Fund is important in isself,
attention on the Government's
ability to control the monetary
aggregates is going to intensify
if there is any sign of a wage
explosion in the coming months.

Money supply grew rather faster in the June banking mount than it did during May, with M3, the broad-based measure of money stock, expanding by 1 per cent to 540 850m Firm control of the money amply is seen by many as the only way. left to prevent a fresh upsurge in inflation if there is a rush for pay increases which would lead to an increase This means that after two-months of the 1977/78 banking year the money supply is growabove the bottom of the Governin average earnings above the ment's 12-month target of 9. ment's 12-month target of 9 to 13 per cent.

Overall domestic credit expansion (DCE) after the first two months of the year is also consistent with the Government's targets—a celling of 57,700m for the fold year—despite a fairly sharp acceleration in the latest banking, month.

Figures for the latest month. A right hold on the money supply, it is argued, would mean that excessive wage demands could not be financed and areals in manual resolutions. and would result in unemploy-ment—a threat that it is hoped would in itself deter excessive wage demands in the first

month.

Figures for the latest month, covering the four weeks to June 15, show in fact that DCE totalled £799m (seasonally adjusted) compared with a rise in sterling M3 of £399m.

This partly reflected the outflow of pounds across the exchanges during late May, with the authorities intervening in the market and buying sterling to defend its parity.

While compliance with tangets for the montertry aggregates—particularly the DCE The monetarist approach is not, inversely universally accepted, and there is in any case some doubt as to how easy

it might be to control the monetary aggregates under cer-tain circumstances.

Those circumstances would include a heavy inflow of cur-rency loto Britain, as the balance of payments moved into

surplus, Financial Editor, page 21 Table, page 22

Coral Leisure . 7p to 163p

SDR-5 was 1.17176 on Wednesday gains and finished slightly down.
while SDR-E was 0.681097.
Bollar Promises: 111.375 per cen

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THE POUND

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tional store site next summer. In the meantime the sale pro-

meds will be used to repay the balance of a £15m syndicated bank loan, eliminating short-term debts and saving over £1m year in interest costs.

Maple's shares firmed in 10 131p on the news vesterday.
Financial News, page 22

The Times index: 185.12+0.25 How the markets moved The FT index: 449.9 unch.

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From Mr Michael Young

Sir, The director-general of t

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year in support of his argume

that rather than rough measur being taken to hold do

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their members to give the

wives a fair share of high

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wage increases to their wive We are in favour, too, of

policy of wage restraint B. Mr. Cosin must know, the

alone is not the answer. In it

year ended April, 1977, wag

steadily rising prices, whithave outstripped wage increase that some of the most powerful trade unions are now again

further wages restraine We all know what the result

of a renewed explosion of wag

of a television would mean the would lead to higher price, which in turn would lead thigher wage demands. And a

it would go on.
If employers, and Govern

ment, are to get the unions support for a policy or moderage wage demends, the

must show that they, too, are

prepared to guarantee that inflation is kept down by moderating price increases.

I should have thought it was no the Food Manufacturers

support such a policy. After all, the latest National Food.

Survey shows that housewive

have reacted to rising prices by cutting back on their spending

National Consumer Council

Public spending

Sir, Mr Geoffrey Drain in his letter of July 11, like other trade unionists, shows sup-

toms of delusion. He seem to believe that his members have some divine right in an ever increasing slice of the

texpayers and ratepayers money. This is not so indeed,

many people, including apparently several of the present Cabinet, believe that taxpayers in their role as

voters are tending to vote against the "social wage" and

in favour of spending more of

on food. Yours,

MICHAEL YOUNG.

18 Queen Anne's Gare, London, SW1H 9AA, July 12

From Mr Richard Lan

Federation's own interests to

rose, on average, by

cent. Prices rose by

Professor Giuseppe Medici: a breathing space for Montedison.

Ex-Minister to head Montedison

From John Earle

Rome, July 14 Professor Giuseppe Medici, 70-year-old former Christian Democrat Minister, was today appointed chairman of Montedison, the ailing chemicals and fibres group, Italy's second largest private company.

He succeeds Signor Eugenio Cefis, who moved there six years ago from heading ENI, the state hydrocarbons agency, with 2 mandate to restore Montedison to profitability. It was a task which, despite exten-sive reorganization, he failed to

accomplish. Group losses last year amounted to 172,000m lire (£115m) and further losses are reported to have accumulated this year. One of Signor Cefis's last efforts to retrieve the situation was to sell last month Montedison's Milan-based bank, Banco Lariano, to Istituto San

Paolo of Turin. Signor Cefis annouaced his Intention to resign at the named meeting in April. But delayed puring it into effect pending progracted discussions involving the major private shareholders and the government. The state has an important holding through ENI and

Professor Medici's appointment is looked upon in business circles as a stopgap arrangement. After a distinguished career in agricultural reform and reclamation, he served 12 times as a Minister in government beautiful and the server in several and the several a

and 1972. He lacks experience managing a major industrial group, but his chairmanship should provide a breathing which discussions car continue between industrialists and the political parties on the

company's structure. The Communists and Socialists, whose support is vital for the survival of the Andreotti Government, want the public sector shareholdings to be put under a specially created public agency which would exercise a strong influence on company

is opposed by Christian Democrats.

Brussels optimistic about British economy but sounds pay warning

From Michael Hornsby

A growth rate of 3 per cent in gross domestic product between 1977 and 1978, a marked fall in the inflation rate over the same period and a current account surplus of more than £1,000m next year are the main elements in a fairly rosy picture of the British economy painted by the European Commission.

These forecasts are contained in a document setting out recommended guidelines for EEC economic policy during the rest of this year and for the preparation of member states' budgets for 1978. The document will be discussed by finance ministers of the Nine next week in Brussels.

The Commission's optimism about the British economy, which is coupled with forecasts of a slowing of expansion in the traditionally stronger countries, notably West Germany, is, however, considerably more qualified than some advance

reports have suggested. For example, the commission gires-a-warning that inflation could still be in double figures at the end of 1978 if the Government is unable to meet its target of holding the average

mineral projects

Government assistance

has been approved by the De-partment of Industry over the

past five years to help com-

panies engaged in mineral ex-

The money was made avail-

Mineral Exploration and Investment Grants Act, 1972, and in the annual report, published yes-

terday, it was stated that 38

companies involved in mineral exploration in 138 areas applied

for assistance totalling £1.77m.

ment can grant assistance to-wards exploring for mineral de-

Under the Act the Govern-

ploration projects in Britain.

£1.5m aid for

rise in wages to 10 per cent during the 12 months from July

Unofficial estimates here reckon that earnings are likely to rise by at least 15 per cent

n average. If this forecast is accurate Commission believes there will be only a temporary acceleration in demand and that by the end of next year economic growth will have weakened and inflation will be gathering pace again.

The combined effect of an

initial slowdown in prices and acceleration in earnings could be a strong revival of private consumption, with total gross fixed asset formation showing a rather lower rate of increase. the Commission considers.
Strong growth in private sector fixed asset formation

(especially in the manufactur-ing industry), the Commission thinks, will be partly offset by a further substantial decline in change is seen in public authorities' current consump-

Sounding a more optimistic note, the Commission estimates that British GDP should increase by 3 per cent provided wages are held down. As much as 1 per cent of this growth would be accounted for by increased production of North

On the external side, the Commission says that should be a continued and rapid expansion in net exports, because of the contribution of North Sea oil, pointing to a

current account surplus of more than £1,000m in 1978 7. The public sector borrowing requirement for 1978-79 should remain within the figure indicated in the Chancellor's letter of intent to the International Monetary Fund without increasing tax pressure significantly, Commission believes. How ever, domestic credit expansion could be close to its permitted

The four main problems facing Britain in drawing up budgetary policy for 1978-79 are summarized as follows:

After reaching a low

in the second half of 1978, the rate of inflation may begin to rise once more; the rate economic growth may not be sufficient to avoid a fall in capacity utilization and a further rise in unemployment the balance of demand between consumption and investment may deteriorate; there could be pressure to use the room for manoeuvre created by the expected balance of payments surplus to stimulate private

Post Office services all show profit

All Post Office services are earning a profit for the first time since the corporation was set up in 1969, Sir William Ryland, its chairman, said in

London yesterday. Sir William, addressing the Institute of Practitioners in Advertising, said he expected an outburst of criticism when the rear's final figures were pubished at the end of the mouth. Critics would claim that the corporation was making too much money at a time when prices were rising and services being

"I shall be criticized in a few weeks' time because we have made a profit just as not so long ago I was criticized for not ing a profit," said Sir William

Estimates of the final profit figure have ranged in recen months between £350m and £400m. Sir William, who retires on October 31, said the postal ser-vice was one of the few in well-

leveloped countries in the ning any further increases in the cost of letters and parcels,

Sir William said: "I would aim to keep the cost of stamps the same for as long as we possibly

Steel output remains depressed

Correspondent Prospects for Britain's steel industry remain bleak with production showing no improvement on the previous month and demand for most products

still weak.

The industry is now in its fourth year of recession and the scale of the crisis has led to action by the European Econo-Community to prevent major failures of companies and widespread redundancies.

Next week the British Steel Corporation will reveal a loss for last year of about £100m and in the present year the cor-poration's losses are running at

Last month output by the BSC and the private sector steelmakers showed no overall change from the May figure at senting a 10 per cent fall on production in June last year. restarted in the second week of June after a 16-week unofficial strike which brought produc-tion to a halt. By the end of the month, however, production

had returned to normal at about 50,000 tonnes a week. Holidays taken at both BSC and private sector works in the first half of the month cut output, affecting mainly works in the Midlands and Sheffield In the first half of this year United Kingdom steel producteion averaged 407,100 tonnes week, representing a drop of a per cent on the corresponding period last year.

Demand for most remained weak and the BSC and the British Independent their joint statement said that there was no immediate prospect of a substantial recovery. However, steelmakers believe there will be a building up of stocks among consuming indus-tries in the second half of this year as companies replenish nocks which have run down from record levels over the past

APV chief heads small firms advice panel

been appointed chairman of the the service. steering committee for the Manufacturing Advisory Service, the Department of Industry's newly-formed organization, which aims to assist small

and medium-sized companies. Dr Miller, who is 51, heads committee of 14 members drawn from industrial, academic and trade union circles whose

Consolidated Balance Sheet

The consolidated balance sheet

total was F206,000 Million, a rise

of 18% as compared with 1975.

This amount is 9% higher than the

BNP balance sheet total. Employed

capital before appropriation of

profits amounted to F4,382 Million,

F749 Million more than that of

After twenty years of energetic growth, the time has come for

moderation. Nevertheless progress

is still important, and a rational and

selective growth rate needs to be

adopted which can be pursued in

the long term without seriously

In this difficult economic climate

and in its awareness of the .con-

siderable work which remains to be

done, the BNP Group has made every effort in all areas to contri-

bute to making the necessary adjust-

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Pursuing a policy of expansion

which has made its international

network one of the largest in the

world, BNP launched new initia-

tives in 1976 to extend its involve-

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and to make the maximum use of

Representative offices, branches

and subsidiaries in over 60 countries

in which BNP is now established

contributed extensively to the de-

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and throughout the world.

International Banking

existing facilities.

- affecting the economic system.

The Economic Background

BNP alone.

Rational and

selective growth

Extracts from the 1976 Annual Report of Banque Nationale de Paris

The chief function of the new clency by adopting modern but well proven technology, and management practices. The department said yesterday the management service would start on a modest

Dr Kennerh Miller, managing task will be to advise on the scale, aiming to cover about director of APV Holdings, has operation and development of 700 firms in the first two years at an estimated cost of £1.75m.

Dr Milier, a former ICI execbody will be to help companies utive, joined APV in 1974 and employing between 100 and has served on the National 1,000 workers in metal working . Economic Development Counand assembly to increase effi- cil's process plant working party, the production committee of the Confederation of Brirish Industry and the engineering design advisory committee of the Design Council.

South Korea, Bahrain and Belgium,

and representative offices were

established in Hong Kong and Oslo.

In Australia, BNP moved to a new

and bigger branch office in Sydney,

while BNP Canada Inc. opened a

new office in Vancouver, and

French Bank of California new

offices in Los Angeles and Newport

Beach. In addition; plans for setting

up a jointly owned subsidiary,

Banque du Caire et de Paris S.A.E.

BNP continues to occupy a pre-

dominant position in export finance

for capital goods. Its share in the

amount of credits granted and uti-

lised continued to be nearly a

quarter of the total granted by all

Besides participating in the financ-

ing of equipment for the exploita-

tion of North Sea, deposits, BNP

confirmed its presence in East

European countries, in the coun-

tries of the Maghreb, and in India,

by renewing earlier credit agree-

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Euro-credits increased appreciably

in both volume and size, and BNP

participated in a number of inter-

In 1976, BNP participated in 214 of

the 273 public issues recorded. It

managed and co-managed 40 of

these. These, by their volume, placed

BNP in twelfth place amongst the

institutions which managed such

International Bank Loans

national financial credits.

were drawn up in 1976.

Export Finance

French banks.

larger amounts.

and Bond Issues

EEC to curb synthetic fibres aid

From Our Own Correspondent Brussels, July 14

In a further move aimed as buttressing the EEC's ailing textile industry, the European Commission today proposed a two-year ban throughout the Community on all state finan-cial aid for the creation of new synthetic fibre capacity. The Commission will also closely monitor the performance of individual companies.

Much new synthetic

capacity, e her already instaled or in the course of instalation in the Community, has bene-fited from state-aided investment policies which date from much more favourable period in the early 1970s, the Commission points out.

In the last two years cape-city utilization has not ex-ceeded 68 per cent, which is well below normal levels. Yet output continues to exceed demand and market prices are 15 per cent below 1974 levels, according to the Commission.

This trend has occurred against a background of soaring costs of raw material, energy, labour and processing. The losses of symbetic fibres producers are put at \$1,000m (about £570m) in 1975 and

\$600m in 1976. On the industry's own fore-casts, the Commission says no improvement in the capacity unilization ratio is forese over the coming years, and it is therefore reasonable to assume that the over-capacity is of a structural nature which

term changes in demand.
Investment subsidies have powerfully contributed to the expansion of the synthetic fibres industry, the Commission considers, and banning them is the only way to restrain further growth of economically nonviable manufacturing capacity.
According to the Commission's figures, the EEC had a deficit in its textile trade with the rest of the world equal to 13 to 14 per cent of cosmump rion last year.

Peter Hill writes: ICI confirmed last night that it planned to close down its fibre plant at Offenbach, near Karlsruhe, West Germany, at the end of this year.
The plant manufactures nylon

and polyester fibre, and the closures resulted from the "disastrous situation" in the fibres industry which was en-dangering ICPs operations in Earlier this year the company

said it would transfer hylon production from Offenbach to Oestringen. The plant employs 750 workers,

Burmah to seek oil in Adriatic

From Our Own Correspondent Rome, July 14

Burmah Oil, which suspended international offshire oil ex-ploration initiatives after running into financial difficulties in 1974, has returned to the scene in Italy with the award of a permit in the Adriatic.

Earlier this week it was made known that Burinah was also heading a consortium to explore for oil off the Seychelles in the Indian Ocean.

Burmah applied to the Italian Ministry of Industry for the Adriatic permit last November.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Moderating Why both the UK and US 'won' in civil air deal increases

From Sir James Dunnett

Sir, In the letters you have pub-lished recently about the draft UK US Civil Aviation Air Services Agreement there have been adverse comments about the outcome so far as the United Kingdom is concerned, and, by implication, criticisms of the way the negotiations were handled on the British side. I do not believe that these crinicisms are justified, and as a member of the United King-dom team at Bermuda in 1946, it may be appropriate if I com-ment on a few points of special cienticance.

(a) It is argued that the United Kingdom was mwise to denounce the original Bermuda agreement. Sir William Hildred has likened the United Kingdom action to a pomeranian taking on an alsatian. I do not agree with this view. Both parties held very strong views on some of the basic issues involved, notably on capacity control and denunciation was necessary if there were to be meaningful negotiations on these crucial matters. And indeed, the concessions the Americans have made are sub-stantial. In a letter to Flight International, published on July 9, Sir Wikiam said about capacity control: "When jumbos came and the fuel crisis and the recession diminished tourism. there came the obscenity of empty seats flying back and forth acruss the Arlancic.

The promised control is the most valuable section in the forthcoming treaty, the keystone of the whole structure.

agree very much with the passage just quoted. (b) It might be thought that the United Kingdom was the first country to designee a civil aviation agreement with the United States. This is not so. Both the Frence and Italian

governments did so some years

(c) Sir Peter Mascfield argues that the new agreement gives away substantial onflying. rights to points beyond the United Kingdom, together with continued authority for airlines to make "a change of gauge". This is not; I think, fair comment on what the United Kingdom percentages have achieved dom negotiators have achieved. Following the five-year phaseout period the only United States fifth freedom passenger rights from London (apart from the round the world service on a daily basis) will be to four points in Germany while the only United States fifth freedom research of the control of the con

dom passenger rights from Hongkong will be to Japan, Bangkok and Singapore, More-over, all the fifth freedom rights in the Pacific will be subject to specific fre-

quency limitations. The chairman of Pan American Airwayshas said recently that the new pact "transfers net economic benefit from United States flag service to the British flag. This was the purpose of the British denunciation of the old agreement."
The new combination rights." are a pale shadow of the fifth freedom rights now withdrawn.

(d) None of your correspondents refers to the much improved rights across the Pacific which have been secured for Cathay Pacific, the important and rapidly growing airline based in Hangkong for which the United Kingdom negotiators were also respon-

any agreement must be judged as a whole. As a director of British Caledonian Airways (although this is not apparent from les letter), Sir Peter Mase-field is naturally closely concerned with the north Atlantic routes. The position here is routes. The position here is complex, and I gather that there was much hard bargaining up to the end of the negotiations. The United States, in view of the size of their country and the weight of their originating air traffic (two thirds to our one third); have for long insisted on having more gateways than the other side. The United Kingdom has achieved parity on 14 gateways in the United States—bener than any other country has so far achieved. The additional United States point does not start for three years and has to be agreed with the United Kingdom. The British will then have the same rights as the Americans on 14 passenger routes while it will also have a monopoly on Manchester and the Americans one on some United States point to be agreed with the United Kingdom. This is not, in my view, a "disturbing retreat from the principle of fair and equal

opportunity for the carriers of the two nations' Much more could be said. For my pert I believe that the outcome well justifies the tough lime taken by the United Kingdom government and the British negotiators, The United States ambassador Alan Boyd has recently said publicly: This is not a win or lose proposition: I think we both won, and the public has won. And that is the way agreements between sovereign nations should work out." These are remarks that I for one would fully endorse.

Yours faithfully, L. J. DUNNETT,

From Mr A. Neiston Husbands Sir, in your issue of July 5 commenting on the results of the Whitecross Company, mencompany incurred expenses of \$56,300 in resisting a takeover

bid from Hanson Trust. In one of the Sunday papers I learnt that Century Oils had incurred expenses amounting to 255,000 in resisting a takeover bid from British Petroleum I also remember that in 1970 it cost Tomarin Distillers Company £19,717 in resisting a rakeover bid from the Distillers Company

These are only three instances, but doubtless there:

State pay From Mr F. S. Line

Sir, I was delighted to read Sir Frank MacFadzean's comments (July 8) on the treatment that is meted out to chairmen and full-time executive directors in nationalized industries, it is astonishing that people of high cambre continue to serve on these boards, when undoubtedly they could very easily find much better paid jobs in the private sector:

I am convinced that the staff in the public sector companies would not feel any resemment at all, if their top management's pay packet was considerably increased. It is, after all, in their interest to make sure that the managers who lead them are of the calibre, and I hope that government will shortly take appropriate steps to put this matter right.

P. S. LAW, 61 Cadogan Square, London SWL

their own incomes themselves, This choice whose economic Unwelcome bid expenses merits must be assumed to have been weighed by the voters and rall plans to which Mr Draft are many more, and surely the time has come when a company objects. be painful for some another company which is unsuccessful should pay the ex-penses incurred by the bid-for company because if the com-pany concerned is successful in members, and no sensible person will fail to sympathize

> did not want their company taken over by another company, so why should they have to incur the expenses of this un-welcome bid? Yours faithfully, A. NEWTON HUSBANDS,

Derbyshire.

make this choice is as un tionable as is Mr Drain's right remaining independent it is obvious that the shareholders campaign against it: denounce it as "unacceptable seems to me unwise, and indeed must call in question Ms Drain support for the

Yours faithfully, RICHARD LAW, 65 Cornhill, London EC3V 3PP.

PICCADILLY THEATRE LTD.

Statement of the Chairman, Sir Donald Albery, to the Shareholders .. -

At last year's Annual General Meeting I told you that I could not promise you anything particularly interesting for the then current year, and this has indeed proved to be the case as the cet profit after tax of £16;319 is again a very poor return on the capital invested. However, I went on to say that in general terms I thought the outlook for the future might well be beginning to brighten, and although trading conditions continued to deteriorate even further into the early months of the current year—nor helped by a renewal of bombing attacks—we are now producing very much improved results and the outlook for the rest of the year, barring unforeseen circumstances, should result in considerably improved profits for the year as a whole. improved profits for the year as a whole.

The main problem for the independent theatre is political actions by the Government, one being their inexplicable failure not to remove VAI from the five performing arts, so that Shakespeare, Shaw and Stoppard and Beethoven, Mozart and Britten are subject to VAI whilst soft and hard porn literature is VAI free, quite contrary to what happens in countries like France where this kind of literature is subject to VAI at the penal rate of 332.

The other matter of vital importance to the commercial theatre is that the tendency, fortunately less prevalent at the moment, of the subsidised theatre not to raise their price of admission in line with inflation is quite clearly a most unfair form of comparison.

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It covers 6,930 hectares adjacent to the coast south-east of Aucona in the mid-Adriatic. The permit carries the obligation that drill-ng must start within 24 months.

Busines:

Moderation

increases From Mr Michael

price

education have been creeping into the system—through tradi-

tional adult education pro-grammes, through the Open

University, through post-experi-

ence courses at business schools and management centres, through activities gen-

erated by the industrial train-

ing boards and the Training Scrvices Agency, and through many other doors.

But it has all been happen-

ing in a hapharard way and, with the compelling need for the economic use of scarce

resources, it is essential that

there should now be some overt form of coordination which will recognize adult,

recurrent or communing educa-

tion as something much more than a peripheral field of post-

school educational endeavour.

Surely this is the moment for the Government to appoint

a strong commission or com-

mittee to review and make

recommendations for future

post-school education in the light of the various issues raised in this article? There is,

formidable confusion of thought, intentions and policy in this field after the phono-menal growth of the last 15

up roots; rather will it help to

BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

While waiting for Mr Healey...

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It is precisely ? Or were they simply becoming steadily risingly worried about the lack of fund-have outstriped ked up over the holiday period? that some of the far as money supply considerations trade unions here should be grounds for looking to we all keep restrained growth during the July of a renewed whing month. Not only was the public demands We all know resument. Not only was the public of a renewed the guern in the June money supply demands would lead to exceptionally high, but the July which in the bell will also show the benefit of the BP higher wage demands that the sterling outflow, which it would go at easiest that the sterling outflow, which if employer, soosted the June DCE figure, has probment, are to be been strongly reversed, while the £125m support

ment, are to been strongly reversed, while the Liable support for lase in banking sector holdings of 1-5 moderage wage a glits seems to confirm that the variable must show that glit-has largely been going to the wrong prepared to

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MICHAEL YOUR than it did six months ago.

Chairman, ast year in preparation for harmonization National Consum. I EEC tux laws on January 1, 1978
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must call in queen port markets for both whisky and gin with support for the brillers notching up almost double the 3.3 process. cent industry gain in volume sales of Yours faithfully, tch whisky while thanks to price rises RICHARD LAW: increase was even more marked in value
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12 I/m mirroring the 21 per cent rise in
14 lustry-wide whisky exports last year.
The important United States market.

wever, remained pretty flat though Dis-HEATRE than the rest of the industry, though lers again claims to have done slightly er its setbacks in the United States in 74-75 Distillers is not too unhappy that its nan, Sir Donald aposure there is rather less than some

her groups. At home, the picture was not as good with e flurry in clearances ahead of last acember's mini-Budget which led to an Affecting I told you the dustry gain of around 9 per cent largely cultury interest to the bassing Distillers by because of its policy of acting a tent per risk tshing through frequent price increases. It en to say that it game three might tell be increased to the current terms of t

Following a 11 per cent decline in nation wide cigarette sales last year there has been a further drop of 4 per cent so far the current year—Gallaher's tobacco profits 100 have been suffering, and there are no immediate signs of a let-up. Promotional costs for Imperial's battle for the King Size market may begin to tail off now, but will be replaced by those involved in the fight over New Smoking Material which is just beginning. A stronger health lobby, 100, is likely to make duty increases more likely in the future. It is too early to say whether tobacco sales in the UK will go into a permanent decline, but for Imperial at least, it is its diversifications which will have to make the running for the time being.

The sharp improvement in paper and packaging mirrors the striking recovery in BAT's subsidiary, Wiggins Teape. Imps' division improved profits from £3.3m to



Mr J. D. Pile, chairman, Imperial Group,

E8.3m on a 39 per cent rise in sales with paper still working to less than capacity, while food manufacturing costs have been running behind inflation allowing a 28 per cent sales improvement to create a similar increase in trading profits.

But an \$! per cent rise in brewery profits, which at £14.1m were £2.5m below the food division's contribution, compares poorly with Allied Breweries 37! per cent improvement during a similar period

The second-half last time was affected by a strike at Courage, so there should be a corresponding improvement helping to pushgroup profits for the year to the the promised "somewhat higher" figure than

But with strong performances currently only coming from two of the four division's representing less than a third of operating profits, there can be little enthusiasm for the shares at 70p, though there is a useful yield prop of 12.3 per cent.

Secured the north fillers may be changing its spots a mite for the rest, the food and carbon dioxide divisions have again maintained their their own increase a side of the whisky group still rather back. This choice is the whisky group still rather back momentum, contributing £7.7m this time mentus must be seen weighed and carbon dioxide divisions have again maintained their momentum, contributing £7.7m this time mentus must be seen weighed and carbon dioxide divisions have again maintained their momentum, contributing £7.7m this time seen weighed and carbon dioxide divisions have again maintained their momentum, contributing £7.7m this time seen weighed and carbon dioxide divisions have again maintained their momentum, contributing £7.7m this time seen weighed and carbon dioxide divisions have again maintained their momentum, contributing £7.7m this time seen weighed and carbon dioxide divisions have again maintained their momentum, contributing £7.7m this time seen weighed and carbon dioxide divisions have again maintained their momentum, contributing £7.7m this time seen weighed and carbon dioxide divisions have again maintained their momentum, contributing £7.7m this time seen weighed and carbon dioxide divisions have again maintained their momentum, contributing £7.7m this time seen weighed and carbon dioxide divisions have again maintained their momentum, contributing £7.7m this time seen weighed and carbon dioxide divisions have again maintained their momentum, contributing £7.7m this time seen weighed and carbon dioxide divisions have again maintained their momentum, contributing £7.7m this time seen weighed and carbon dioxide divisions have again maintained their momentum.

interest charges have continued upwards from £14.9m to £17.1m owing to higher average rates throughout the year and the weakness of sterling but part of that is explained by a £700,000 realized loss on its

gilts holdings. In any case, this has been offset at the net level by increased income from liquid funds while Distillers' borrowings position is no longer as daunting as is once appeared.

Thanks to the fact that it built up whisky stocks during the 1960's and 1970's and is now producing at a fairly sedate pace. Distillers is spared the financing problems that have sent other whisky groups like Teacher's into the arms of the big brewing groups and strong cash flow along with a hefry slug of deferred tax gives a much

stronger look to the balance sheet. Even if the doubts over Distillers' management are now starting to evaporate, what is really needed to cement its improved market rating is some more optimistic noises about the future growth prospects of the whisky market, which at the moment is looking sluggish.

However, Distillers still looks to have the momentum to go over the £150m pre-tax profit level this year while a yield of 6.6 per cent at 150p, up 7p on the results, leaves

Philip Nind

Work and learning—a partnership for life

'It is clear that a strong case can be made out for

a universal system of continuing education

in which employment, educational opportunity and

personal satisfaction are matched on a lifelong basis?

Fifteen years ago a small group of industrialists was asked by the Federation of British Industries to investigate the management education and training needs of industry. In its report it expressed the opinion that many of industry's management problems by deeply rooted in the strucnure and content of our educa-

visiter from another planet on a similar mission today might well find that in terms of educational efficiency. cost effectiveness, individual contentment and employment ing in a deplorable waste of our excellent human but limited financial resources, particularly in relation to our post-school education system.

post-school education system.

With career implications in mind, the 1972 cducation White Paper issued under the Secretaryship of State of Mrs Margaret Thutcher, referred to "further, advanced, high, adult, tertiary and recurrent" education and explained that "the divisions indicated by these definitions are artificial in that they present different faces of a broadly organized effort to cuable all members of effort to enable all members of school behind them, to learn where, when and what they want in the way that best suits

But despite the hopes in-herently expressed in this sen-tence, and although a welcome flexibility has been creeping into the secondary system, our planetary visitor could not but observe that it is very difficult for the young, and for the not so young, to alter the direction, pace or made of their studies as employment and other other circumstances change over the pears.

In every generation of young men and women there are a few who in terms of a career know early and firmly what they want to be-doctors or murses, engineers or lawyers, teachers of mathematics or of In addition, courses tradi-

decisions on continuing their education be deferred? So many of them, in their immaturity, are going to universities and polytechnics to read subjects longer reflection they would probably not have selected, and, because the number of graduates has increased faster school leavers. But the than the number of graduate-identified jobs, they graduate with hopes high, but only to find that they can be firted into no field of employment

immediate,

which marches those opes.
Would not students gain
more from their higher education if, maturer and more motivated, they hopped on to the educationaal wagon at the educationaal wagon at moments and at the speed of their own choice—in contrast, as Sir Kenneth Berrill once put it, with some young people who "ride along on the escalator of continued education with very little vision of the relevance of what they are doing to their future working life".

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post-school education is deter-

mined along clearly defined

and well proven lines. But for the majority the future beyond

charted. For them, should not

needs of young people the in-stitutions of post-school educa-tion must assume greater flexi-bi ity—in directions which to their credit some have already started to adapt themselves. If a modular system of continuing education, enabling adolevand out of the educational sys-tem for varying lengths of

study, is to become effective a wide variety of programmes within and between universities and polytechnics must be made available in a flexible system of credit recognition.

tionaly associated with university extra-mural departments must surely be accepted into the mainstream of academic thinking and programming. Such developments would, of course, have to be reflected in the kind of advice given to

school-leavers.
But the artitude of employers would be crucial. Much has been said and written, often misguidedly, about industry in particular—the use to which it puts young people, its hairshirt relationship with schools and univer-sities, its alleged unfeelingness towards the changing codes and aspirations of society.

But through its Understand-ing British Industry scheme and in many other ways over the years the Confederation of British Industry and individual industrial companies have devoted substantial resources to the task of bringing industry, teachers and young people into a closer understanding of this vital wealth-producing sector of our society in which a high proportion of our citizens spend their working lives and upon which the standards of our education system and social services depend for their financial provision. for their financial provision. It is futile to :ry to lay past blame, but it seems to be true that a too high proportion of the abler graduates have

rended to seek careers in public service or the professions, and industrial companies have found that many of those who. do apply for employment are almost unemployable by reason of their lack of motivation or misdirected educational pro-

At all events it is clear that a strong case can be made out for a universal system of con-Dauing education in which employment, educational opportunity and personal satisfaction are matched on a life-long basis, with the industrial world and the universities polytechnics closely linked by an alternating system of employee release and modular education-

But such a development, if based upon the present system of day release or sandwich programmes, would place a crip-pling and insupportable finan-cial burden upon industry— and clearly one of the fundamental criteria for the success of a national system of continuing education is an enthu-slastic acceptance of it by industry. This is where the part which government can play becomes of prime importance.

As we move into the post-industrial era, into the age of mass higher education and of. the rising expectations of a pluralist society, new methods of allocating and using our limited financial resources are essential. Waste must be eliminated and educational aspirations encouraged on a more individual basis than hitherto. Slowly, over many years, arlous forms of recurrent

focus attention upon and elucidate many of the problems in-herent in an integrated system of lifelong education-financial as well as strictly educational. industrial as well as social. Furthermore, it will concen-trate minds in a way that the national advisory council now being set up by the Govern-ment to deal with adult educa-

A new review need

years.

tion cannot possibly achieve. decisions taken during the next few years will radically fashion the form of post-indus-trial Britain. A radical inquiry trying to find answers to them

The author is Director, Founda

Computer-controlled Z-cars

Four years ago bomb explosions at the Old Bailey and in Whitehall caused the London police to realize just how bad were their "command and control" procedures—for keeping in radio putch with police and realize police and realize police. notice vehicles—when faced with imprecedented emergencies. There was confusion both on the streets and on the radio

Since then, the demands on the emergency services (fire and ambulance as well as police) have continued to grow. But now a small number of computer-assisted command and control systems have been

introduced.

Riemingham city police were pioneers in this country with a system based on Ferranti miniimputers. Strathclyde police

computers. Strathclyde police followed with an improved version claimed to be one of the best of its type in the world. Leasco Software is now developing a second-generation system for West Midlands police, drawing on the original Birmingham experience for the much larger area; and other county systems are also being implemented. In Loudon, an experimental minicomputer-based police command and control system has been in use at New Scotland Vard for the past four months. As part of a system which curs

As part of a system which cuts out paperwork and speeds up the processing of "999" and emergency telephone the normal computerlinked visual display terminals are supplemented by a map dis-play, which shows the area of the emergency.

The system designed and implemented for the Metropolian Police by International Acradio, at present covers a limited area in north London. Later: the force intends to introduce a comprehensive version covering the whole of been simply to use the speed of the computer in information

the computer in information handling to improve an existing command and control system. In the more recent systems there is also provision for connexion to other computer systems handling other tasks.

A much more ambitious approach is now being adopted by the city of Winnipeg, Manitoba, where, on the recommendation of a British consultancy, an integrated communications system is being designed to meet the needs of the police, fire and ambulence services. Though there are special local factors which make such an approach particularly appropriate in Winnipeg, this scheme will have clear lessons for the have clear lessons to United Kingdom.

After a reorganization which brought a much larger area Winnipeg authorities, the city's fire, police and ambulance services each commissioned design studies for new communications systems from PA International Management Convictions of the communication sultants' London.

Using the resources of its Paciel (computers and telecommunications) and Patscentre (technology and science centre) groups, PA was in follow each design through to implementation on a project management tion on a project management basis. When the benefits of integration of the three communications services' became apparent, a fourth con-tract was placed with the conto cover such

Winnipeg provided a rare opportunity for this. All three services were seeking new equipment and the police and fire departments were already together in the city's new Public Safety Building. common communications 22.2-



incoming emergency calls are typed on to a video terminal linked to a mini-computer at New Scotland Yard. The screen on the left displays a map showing where the caller is.

tional benefits and cost savings. The main operational benefit would be in command and control, otherwise known as computer-aided despotch, where the key aim was to reduce the response time. A minicomputer-based despatch system would be integrated with radio, telephone and elarm communications for all three services.

For the individual userspolice: fire or ambulancetheir committations would be as self-contained as before, with separate channels. But a common channel was to added for use by senior staff of all three services when major emergencies arose.

Without stretching to the limits of tew technology— indeed, with a conservative emphasis on using only proven equipment—significant benefits could be achieved. Software development costs could

Many of the needs of the three services are clearly very.

similar, but not identical Computeraided despatch for the Fire Department will be via terminals in the Public Safety Building and automatic printer units in each fire station. For the Police Department, computer-aided desparch will be via terminals in the Public Safety Building, in district stations and detective divisions.

Ambulance communications will include integration with those of Winnipeg's seven hospitals.
The cost of the integrated system (a contractor is expected to be selected soon) is estimated at about \$3.5m (about \$2.4m is for the police and \$600,000 for for fire, \$200,000 for ambulance and \$300,000 for integration elements.

be shared, for example, and this represents an estimated duplication of data files (such capital saving of at least \$1.25m, as a city street index) could be plus a 10-15 per cent reduction avoided. pared with the cost of separate avstems.

> The design of the police systom includes computer links to two other information sources as well as the integrated despatch network:

Winnipeg is believed to be the first city to combine its golice, fire and ambulance communications in this way. The individual services retain the

use of apparently exclusive sys-tems, while the city gains the benefit of cheaper and moro effective response to emergencies.

Kenneth Owen Technology Correspondent

Business Diary: Reynolds redistributes • Change at AIB

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Both say that the group's are of grocery trade, which as held steady at about 4.2 per ent, has never been higher, espite stiff competition and gainst sinking overall grocery Keynolds, who had three

ears with British Home Stores nd 10 with Marks and Spencer, ob. He would, however, like o work in Europe, where as hairman of Spar's inter-tational trading division, he

ias many contacts. He thinks he could do a worthwhile job either working here for a European company or abroad for a British company able in the statistic wishing to expand. The desire for a European connexion is partly because he thinks he could make a useful contribution there and partly because



has no successor in mind for Reynolds's post-although speculation naturally centres on managing director

The Association of Independent Businesses bas a new chairman, as Business Diary yesterday suggested might be the case. He is Brian Kingham, who takes over from Colin

Dauris declined to offer himself for reelection at a meeting of the executive council, after only a few months as chairman. He will, however, continue to serve on the council and to head AIB's legislative committee.

It promises to be an interesting period for Kingham, a director of a firm of valuers specializing in hotels, catering establishments, and small businesses. The association is consalaries are higher. fronted by the emergence of the Back at Spar, Linnell cays he Union of Independent Companies formed by AIB members dissatisfied with the way in which the association represents small business. Kingham, chairman of the

London and southern Home Counties regional association of the AE, told Business Diary, yesterday that he would be ask-ing UIC founders Bill Poeton and Derek Young to clarify its

"If they are in the business of furthering the interests of small businesses my attitude will be to cooperate with any organization which has that gim?, he said.

One of the priorities of King-ham and his AIB colleagues will be the establishment of a central research centre. This, he explained, will require " a good deal more cash" and in order to get it the association has launched a membership drive.

The stage is set for a bitter battle for allegiance, as the UIC is also embarking on a nationwide recruiting compaign.

The Falkland Islanders, who suspect that they are about to become Argentinian citizens by courtesn of Her Majesty's Government, evidently draw a distinction between loyalty to the Queen and to the Foreign Office. Rather late in the day they are having the Royal Mint strike a juhilec crown, available early next year.

B. A prize bout of industrial infighting is to be thrown open to the public a week today when the Patents Bill retches the report stage in the Com-

In the red corner are a group of innovative British drug companies, such as Glazo and ICI, and in the green the Robin Gillett, is to find out in rest of industry, interested in patents but not in drugs.

The Bill was introduced earlier this year in order, among other things, to increase the life of patients from 16 to

and the Pussycat, who, it will be remembered, went to sea in 20 years. Our story concerns what to do with products, par-ticularly drugs, whose patent is pea-green boat. Sir Robin, who went to sea nearly up.

Agreement had been reached by non-drug interests that patents with more than five years to run should be allowed four years' extension. Not good enough, say the drug innovafighting through the jungle of safety regulations can eat up 10 years of patent life, leaving little time to recoup develop-ment costs before the copyists

The drug companies managed by nifty lobbying among cross-benchers. Liberals and Fories to get the five years down to two, subsequently reversed after efforts by the industrial

When next Friday comes we are likely to hear arguments that, if the copyists were allowed to develop their re-sions of out-of patent drugs. then drugs would be cheaper On the other hand Glaso's chairman Austin Bide might ventolin and ICI's anti-asthmatic Ventolin and ICI's anti-hyper-tensive, Inderal, earn a lot of foreign revenue. Many of the big copyists are not British, but Italian or Eastern block.

Sheffield tonight. He is to be presented with a set of this use-ful implement as the guest of honour of the Master David Lee, at the cutlers' annual Forfest Feast. Runcibles are forever associ-

n something more substantial in his days as a master maciner with Canadian Pacific Steamships, can also rely on being offered something more sub-stantial than mince and slices

of quince tonight. Lee has been distributing these "spoons" (sharp-edged forks still sold for the eating of pickles and hors d'neuvres) guests in his year of office. His have been made from a stainless steel strip developed by the family company, Arthur Lee & Sons, of which he is a

Curtling runs in Lee's family, s well as spoons. His fatherin-law, uncle and grandfather were all Master Cutler in their time. Oh, and the "forfeit" in the least refers not to spooning with the lady guests, but to the fines upon members of the curlers' company which used to pay for the beano.

The latest hand-out of texparers' money to commerce and industry includes El.Sm to a company promising to create new jobs in Yorkshire. With the money goes the offer of an interest relief grant. The company is Midland Bank, The runcible spoon lives, as the Lord Mayor of London, Sir

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orwest Holst, the multi-million pound civil engineering company, was entitled to receive natural justice from the Department of Trade when it was considering whether to investigate the company's affairs, said a QC in the High Court yester-

Mr Stanley Brodie, QC, for Norwest Holst, submitted that the department should not have refused to disclose to the company the reasons for its decision to set up the investiga-tion, and the evidence on which listened to the company's representations on the matter.

The language of the 1948 Companies Act, under which the Secretary of State for Trade had acted, was not appropriate to exclude the normal rule requiring both parties to a dispure to be fairly heard, counsel said.

the Trade Secretary's appointment of two inspectors, Mr Lewis Davies, QC, and Mr Thomas Harding, to conduct the inquiry was invalid, and claims an injunction to stop the inspectors exercising their investigative powers

tigative powers.

Mr Brodie told Mr Justice Poster that the decision to set up an inquiry adversely affected a company's business and impinged upon its rights. Its right to autonomy was seriously interfered with by the

appointment of the inspectors, its rights of property and reputation were damaged, and its right to carry on business with-out let or hindrance was plainly

All this had to be borne in mind when considering in what circumstances the Minister should exercise his powers to set up an inquiry into a com-pany's affairs, Mr Brodie said. The Trade Secretary had to decide whether the circumstances suggested that the persons concerned with the management of the company were guilty of fraud, misfeasance or

That, submitted Mr Brodie, involved a determination upon The hearing was adjourned

BSC and Davy in package for Venezuela steelworks complex

Industrial Correspondent ... Britain's heavy engineering strate the desirability of proindustry is poised to secure valuable export business for supplying equipment to a £600m steelworks complex being built in Venezuela.

The British Steel Corporation

yesterday signed an agreement to provide engineering, technical, and operating services for the new plant through its overseas services subsidiary. The immediate value of the deal to BSC is about £12m, pushing the rotal value of business in the overseas service company's order book to between £50m and £60m. Morecontracts are expected to be

weeks.

But prospects for British companies picking up a substantial slice of the equipment orders for the new plant, to be built in the stare of Zulia on the western coast of Lake Maracaibo, are good.

Business appointments

Mr Lawrence Urquhart will join

the Burmah Group as finance director from September 1 and is to join the board of Burmah

Oil. He is at present group finance director of Tozer Kemsley & Mill-bourn (Holdings).

Mr Jack Gill, executive deputy chairman of Associated Television Corporation, has been appointed deputy chairman. Mr Norman Collins, deputy chairman, who has indicated that he will retire in September, has been invited to remain on the board. Mr Louis Benjamin, formerly a joint managint direc-

formerly a joint managing direc-tor, has been made a deputy chairman. The joint managing director posts have been sus-pended.

Mr Christopher Grubb joins the main board of Jardine Fleming on August 1. He will commune as managing director of Jardine Fleming (Singapore).

Mr J. H. Bloom is now on the board of London Scottish Finance Corporation, Mr H. Livingstone remains as life president.

The Steering Committee for the Manufacturing Advisory Service has been appointed as follows:

Mr L Urquhart to become

Burmah finance director

announced in the next few

Latin America—notably Mexico—under which a British com-pany will be responsible for procurement of equipment for the steelworks. . Davy International and its merchant bankers, Morgan Grenfell, have been involved in

viding a complete British pack-

age similar to deals which it has negotiated elsewhere in

preliminary negotiations and both concerns have a wide experience of similar steelworks countries. Detailed specifications for the plant are expected to be pre-pared by early next year and

The new steelworks complex forms part of an industrial development plan for the Zulia taken by Corpozulia, an autono-mous institution which is res-

Joelson has retired.

Mr Geoffrey North has been elected chairman of City Offices Co, to succeed Mr George Pitt, who has resigned.

Mr K. A. Burgess has been appointed managing director of Seymour Adelaide.

Mr J. A. Dougharty, Mr B. C. Johnston, Mr J. Sleeman and Mr C. W. Taylor Young have joined the board of Magna Assurance-Mr J. E. Scrutton and Mr B. E. Newman have resigned.

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President Perez, the Venezuelan The first phase of the steel-works development is due to be completed in 1987, and will have | May an annual capacity of 1.2 million tonnes a year. The plant will produce steel bars, wire rod and About 30 specialists from the

present working as advisers on Doc the Sicartsa steel complex in 1977 Mexico, will shortly begin work By the early part of the next decade the Venezuelan steel in-

dustry will have an annual pro-duction capacity of about 5 million tonnes. The deal with Venezuela-in which the Prime Minister has

taken a close personal interest- provides a considerable fillip for the BSC, which is faced with heavy losses on its own steel- making operations as a result of the continued international steel recession.	Ma Ju
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FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

Prices again firm after being unsettled on White Paper

The sudden decision to scrap and olthough Scottish and University to close the White Paper on pay and the economy unsertled the market's of a dip in profits, the shares results. earlier firm trend. Prices began to revive towards the end of the session, after defensive marking down, nowever, as dealers con-sidered the call for a vote of coefidence on a special economic debare in the House of

Gilt-edged securities turned initial rises of between 1 and into similar falls but leading equities had begun a quiet recovery before formal trades was concluded.

ICI mirrored the overall equity trend. Up earlier in the car, the shares slipped back to 38\$p before closing at 392p for a net loss of 3p. A broker's review helped Glaxo ahead by 5p to 550p but both Metal Box and GKN dropped 2p to 318p and 331p respectively. Lucas

The stock market is now looking for a price of 420p or above jor L. Gardner. Since Hawker ing for a price of rapp of motoring for L. Gardner. Since Hawker Siddeley amounced its 340p-a-share cash bid on Wednesday, Gardner's shares have shot up to 393p, with Rolls-Royce Motors, holders of a 18.7 per contesting Gardner, buting cent stake in Gardner, buying up to the highest levels, but R-RM is still thought unlikely to counterbid itself.

jay-offs. Distillers came back sharply into favour as hereer than experied results pushed the shares forward 7p to 150p. Arthur Bell & Sons climbed 4p to 254p in sympathy. But the other major com

panies reporting met little cemand. Imperial Group's half-time profits disappointed and the shares slipped 1p to 70p versal investments had warned changed at 104p after of a dip in profits, the shares results. slipped 4p to 89p to clip some of the week's advance engendered by Loprho bid hopes. Lonrho watchers are not expecting very much action here

for another few months. The oil pitch saw mixed trading. BP is still unsettled by events in Alsska, this time by the threat of higher oil taxes and the shares fell back by a further 4p to 910p. The partly

paid also dropped 9p to 364p. Oil Exploration saw another 1p rise to 212p and London & Scottish Marine Oil were again a strong feature comributing 395 of a totol 5,157 marks. The Production Stock were wanted at 330p, for a gain of 5p, while the new ordinary shares advanced 2p to 171p.

The property pitch was mostly dull but two counters stood out. Beaumont advanced 3p to 64p and Hammerson added 4p to 254p in selective

buying.
Dolan Pockaging, the subject of a bid battle involving two overseas suitors tame back. from the 164p suspension to show a 17p rise to 181p. Colt. ness Group, also preparing to-receive a bid, ran into profit taking and dropped 4p to 56p. Consideration of a recent strong recovery at English Card Clothing lifted the shares by a further 10p to 78p and similar thoughts helped ERF ahead by 5p to 87p. The divi-

dend boosting rights issue from Benjamin Priest was good for a 6p climb to 68p. Allied Colloids were also wanted at 228p, increased by 3p, after better than doubled

profits but lower than expected figures clipped United Gas Industries back by 3p to 48 p. G. Dew, however, recouped

Speculative situations me their usual impact. L. Gardi and Tunnel Holdings were

subject of strong rumours and Hall Engineering at 85p The market for formigh options finally spluttered at

The company denies it is dealers; are committeed it Thomas W. Ward has be. approached for its 29.9 pe voting stake in Tunnel Ho ings. Ward shares climbed to 47p, while Tunnel jump 8p to 190p. If the market h got it right, and all the evident is to the contrary. Trust should have further to go sing Ward is still sitting on a su stantial paper loss at curre

doubles were recorded. In la three month options, condino were also quiet and no pu were arranged. Calls, howeve were produced in several stock including Tunnel Heldings, 0 Exploration, Siebens and Cele Haven and doubles, were cor pleted in BP New, BSG, Care ham and Town & City.

The Stock Exchange Counce has voted unanimously to move the account day from Tuesda to Monday when Talisma

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Maples development site

Dream became nightmare

Yesterday's £11.25m sale of Maples development site on dream that turned into a nightmare for the stores group. Summing up the events that turned Maple from a market favourite into a penny stock in just four years, group finance director Mr cribes the "foolish" arrempt to develop the 11-acre site alone as having "had an adventure into the property market and having done very badly thereby ".

Shareholders who have seen the shares plummet from £1.14 at one point in 1972 to vester-day's 132p will no doubt agree with Mr Clark Hutchinson. Funding the development through years of rising interest costs and without the earning power of the chain's major store power of the chain's major store forced group pre-tax profits from 1973's record £1.3m to a £2.1m loss in 1976. And early hopes of a substantial capital profit on the sale of the completed building have similarly been dashed, the £25m value spoken of in 1974 having been written down to £14m last year and sold at a £2.5m deficit to

and sold at a £2.5m deficit to that revised book value. Since the early 1970's efforts to capitalize on the potential of that site have radically altered what had been a traditional, almost stolid furniture store business. Maple was acquired by the Cardiff-based Macowards stores in 1972 and the company was drawn within the orbit of

J E Sanger

of Socold

per cent of the issued ordinary shares or Socold (Holdings).

This acquisition constitutes a

the Tottenham Court Road store closed and the builders moved in. In 1974 £15m of five year money was raised from a syndi-cate of banks, adding over £1m a year to the group's interest costs. As development costs rose, property values slumped. Provisions against falling values on top of trading losses in-creased 1975's after tax loss to £7.6m and Maple left the divi-dend lists. Last year the group had to present accounts carrying auditors qualifications about the uncertainty of property valuations and showing an after

tax loss of £4.4m. To feed the ever more costly development the group's radio rental business was sold for £2.5m and flats on. the site were sold to Camden Council for £1.45m.

Council for £1.45m.

The sale of the scheme brings Maple—which has now dr. ped Macowards from its name—nearly back to square one. Jessel Securities has departed the scene, its shareholding is now down to just 4.9 per cent. And the £11.25m, along with Camden's £1.45m and a £400.900 premium paid by the Department of Health and Social Security for use of a laboratory Security for use of a laboratory on the site, will pay off the bank syndicate loan. Around £500,000 is needed to complete the build-Maple store, due to reopen there

But the group is confident that it will be able to cover these costs from internally generated cash flow. Mr Clark

Hurchinson reports that the group's 45 British and two group's 45 British and French furniture stores operating profitably and, although the sale means the loss of £528,000 rental income from existing lettings the firm interest saving allows the group to take a relatively optimistic view of the current year.

As the largest property deal in the West End for several years, the apparently bargain price of the freshold building representing an initial yield of over 8 per cents. representing an initial yield of over 8 per cent, may raise a few eyebrows. However, the consortium of buyers have only 66,125 sq ft of the 114,790 sq ft of office and showrooms occupied and they have permitted Maple to take the 51,000 sq ft store space at 75 per cent of the ayrest market value. sq ft store space at 75 per cent of the agreed market value. Maple is paying £125,000 for the store, just £2.45 a sq ft. And as showrooms account for much of the empty space the buying company. Vipvale, is unlikely to match the £8.50 a sq ft.

likely to match the 18.50 a sq ft achieved on the offices let Vipvale is 28 per cent controlled by Bernard Sunler Investment Trust and a similar stake is held by London Marcantile Corporation.

Maple, however, which was advised by its joint surveyors. Matthew Goodman and Healey & Baker, is less worried about the pedigree of its new landlord than by the fact that it has finally shed a near disastrous burden.

John Brennan

Financial Highlights 1977

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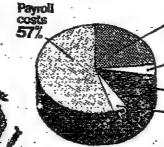
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This acquisition constitutes a major move by Sanger into food retailing. Socold operates three superstores and seven freezer, centres in the South East and East Anglia, with its head-quarters at Harlow, Essex.

The total purchase price is £763,185 which was paid in cash on completion. Sanger has a right of first refusal over a further 8.9 per cent of the capital on the same terms.

The superstores are large retail outlets located on the retail outlers located on the edge of urban districts with Bross areas warying between 12,000 square feet and 20,000 square feet, the main products sold being frozen foods, groceries, tobacco, wines and spirits. The freezer centres are usually located in suburban or

secondary shopping centres and have gross areas between 2,500 square feet and 5,000 square feet. Socold has plans for opening another superstore and a sumber of additional phenomerous in the part few freezer centres in the next few

buys control

"Profitable growth will increase"

from the annual statement by the Chairmen, Mr. Digby Burnell, * Record pre-tax profit of £733,796 and

margins improved.

Dividend up to 3.43p, compared with 3.06p for previous year.

★ The company will continue to increase its efficiency and profitable growth.

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Profit after tax	£409,801	£330,600
Dividends	£156,624	£134,961
Earnings per share	9.26p	8.24p

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He declined to make any at have the benefit of profit prediction, but said that percers as was the case earnings would not rise at a parallel rate to turnover

that was favourable will take on a further 3,000 workers by the end of the year acress earned profit, with its labour force already up porter in April.

. He added that the demand

for vehicles would slacken in the second half, with the 10 per to be around cent rise in new German car Its United Kingdom counter-

part in May became the first car company to capture the first four places in the United Kingcar sales league. Lecland Cars was outsold by the Cortina, with 11,553 sales for April, the latest recorded month, the Escort some 10,365, the new Fiesta 4,942, the Capri 4,593 and the Vauxhall Chevetre at 4,384. The Mini, in eighth place with 3.724 sales, was only marginally about of Ford's German-built Granada. Ford was also the leading United Kingdom im-

for AB Engineering

British Engineering has reached agreement with the Secretary of State for Scotland for a secured loan of £200,000 to be made to ABE's principal operating sub-cidiary, British Polar Engines, under the terms of the ladustry

The purpose of the loan is. The board reported in its to finance the development of a annual statement that it would gines manufactured by British

provisions, inter alia, to the in the short-term. effect that so long as any part of the loan remains outstanding, British Polar will not pay any dividends without the permission of the Secretary of State, first half,

ABE's preference dividends were paid up to March 31, 1972, but are in arrear since that dare, There has been no ordinary payment since 1965-66.
ABE has had a chequered his-

tory. In the year to March 31, 19.6, it made a profit following the previous year's loss.

new gearbox for use with the not be realistic to expect the F20 range of marine diesel entrate of restoration of the gines manufactured by Bruish group's order book to be speedy. terest for the first two years expected to provide a further

However, in the half-year to Sept 30, 1976 there was a net lo s of \$4,000, compared with a profit of £20,000 in the previous

£200,000 government loan Boots first quarter goes well

By Our Financial Staff
Though the weather in the opening quarter from April 1 has been less favourable to retail sales than in 1976, Boots, manufacturing and retail chemists, "have certainly done better than the rather depressed performance of other retailers". Dr G. I. Hobday, chairman, told the annual meeting in London that this was done with the help of group

marketing policies and new and

improved shops. Of the various sectors, sales of Boots The Chemist, including dispensing, rose 17 per cent in where.

But a continuance of the satistic the quarter. On the industrial factory spares order intake was side, sales to customers outside The loan agreement includes modest improvement in results, ahead of the corresponding provisions, inter alia, to the in the short-term. rheumatic product was registered in the United King-dom and some other countries. Marketing should start soon in this "important" new product,

also give valuable support to the position the group held with Bruien, which enjoyed substan-tial sales volume. But having been on the marker for eight years, newer anti-rheumatic products from compensors were

challenging.
Generally, the non-retail side in recent years had become increasingly involved in manufacture and marketing of a range of products throughout the world. This was now an important part of the group's business, with potential for continued growth.

Overall, the company's future, he said, was dependent to a considerable extent on the Government's ability to get the country's economy right, and on the growth of international

At the meeting, shareholders approved the setting-up of an



employees' share participating In the year to end-March last,

some 591.1m on sales of £735m.

The Milk Marketing Board Annual General Meeting 1977

UKAGRICULTURE WILL CUTLASTO

Transition into EEC

It would be wrong to pretend that as an industry we do not lock back on transition, if not with dismay, certainly with considerable disappointment. In my address of 1972 I referred to the decision to join the European Economic Community as signalling "the end of policies of restriction which the industry has endured for so many years." A great deal is summed up in the sad fact that milk production in the year just past was only marginally higher than in 1972/73, notwithstanding dramatic growth in cow yields in some intervening years. The main growth in our industry occurred before the transitional period began and at no time during transition has the real income of milk producers reached the level of the early 1970's. I shall argue that this state of affairs is not a symptom of the poverty of our national economy - or even caused by that poverty -but is itself one of the reasons for it: policies which lead to it are not only impoverishing milk producers, many of whom can, and are, using their resources to do other things, but much more seriously, adding to the poverty of alling Britain.

It was always accepted in the debate before entry into Europe that food would become relatively more expensive than it had been, it was understood that this would assist the farmer and would result in the expansion of British agriculture. There can be no doubt that the price of food has risen but primarily as a result of inflation. By May this year, the retail price index for food items was about 115 per cent higher than in 1972 (over the same time period the index of average earnings increased by around 130 per cent). A formidable increase but, even so, it was only a mere I per cent more than the rise in the retail price index as a whole over the same period. It is clearly not the EEC or British agriculture that is responsible for the increase in the price of food but a rate of inflation with-out parallel in our history. Furthermore, it is not only the products covered by the Common Agricultural Policy that have become most expensive. One has only to think of what has happened to the prices of such commodities as fish, coffee, tea, fruit, vegetables and potatoes to realise that there have been far wider influences than the EEC affecting the price of



Inflation and Food Consumption

Another consequence of inflation is that it results in a loss of perspective. It is true that in the last year or two, consumers have had to spend a growing proportion of their incomes on food, an unusual feature in a developed country. However, the reason is not so much the relative rise in the price of food as the fall in real incomes resulting from inflation and depression. Even so, consumers are still spending less than a quarter of their incomes on food, a smaller proportion than they were in

There is a depressing tendency for people to assume that the whole benefit of higher food prices flows to the farmers. Nothing could be further from the truth. On average, the farm gate price is only half the cost of the product that the consumer buys. The other half is accounted for by processors costs and the margins of distributors. Even in these terms the dairy industry provides the British housewife with a remarkable service. In the United Kingdom, in 1975, the cost of processing and distributing liquid milk added about 80 per cent to the price received by the producer. In other EEC countries, the on-cost was anywhere between 100 and 125 per cent. More-over, the British housewife enjoyed the convenience of having her milk delivered to the doorstep and did not have to collect it from a shop as in the rest of the Community.

Food Prices

In real terms the price of milk and dairy products has tended to decline and is certainly much less than say 10 years ago. The number of minutes taken by the average male wage earner to earn the price of a pint of milk in 1976 was only 3% compared with 51/2 in 1966. The number of minutes taken to earn the price of a lb of cheese - English Cheddar - in 1976 was 201/compared with 25% in 1966. The real cost of that most politically sensitive of all products - butter - has also been reduced in the same time span. In 1976 it took 16% minutes to-earn a lb of butter and in 1966 it took 23%.

When the prices of milk and dairy products are looked at internationally in a similar way, it is found that, over many years, the British pint of milk has been cheaper than in any other country apart from Denmark, New Zealand and Sweden, while a lb of butter cost less only in New Zealand.

I make these points not in the hope of persuading consumers that price increases are to be welcomed but in order to inject a little perspective into a subject that arouses such deep emotions that all sense of proportion is liable to be lost.

Our Board is, first and foremost, a marketing organisation and, as such, our first concern is with markets and with the consumers of which they are made up. This is why, over the years, we have devoted so much time, effort and money in promoting these markets. Many of our activities in improving the quality of the basic milk supply and the efficiency with

which it is marketed are undertaken because we care about the consumers of our products and our own competitiveness in serving them. Thinking of our activities in this way, it has been of the deepest concern to us to see farmers' interests being portrayed as in conflict with consumers or even in conflict with the interests of our

Wanted—Fair Competition In handling our markets we do not few competition from whatever source - indeed over the years we have thrived on it but we do expect it to be fair competition. At the present time (mid-1977) because of the operation of the Green rates of exchange and the system of monetary compensatory amounts that support it, German milk producers, who last year exported 43,000 townes of butter to our market, were subsi-dised by the taxpayers of the whole Community to the extent that they received a price of £2,135 per tonne for it. In the same way Irish producers obtained £1,520 per tonne, French producers £1,645 per tonne and Dutch producers £1,985 per tonne. Meanwhile the price to UK producers was £1,142 per tonge. A system which creates such wide differences in price between producers supplying the same market is bound to pro-duce serious distortions which are certainly not going to be in the general long-term interests of the UK. The system obviously discourages milk output in the UK which is already a deficit area and encourages it in other parts of the Community which are already largely in surplus. The effects on consump-tion are similarly adverse. This again leads to a further boosting of the economies of the countries in the Community which are already strong, by the encouragement of their exports and a further weakening of the UK economy through the acceptance of a system which leads to these imports.

In any consideration of butter prices on the UK market we

must appreciate the true position of these in relation to the price which New Zealand receives and the so-called "world" price that the Commission uses to calculate import levies. The "world" price in this context is based on trade in a few thousand tons of butter that would be completely inadequate to supply the UK market. The price New Zealand obtains is no indication of the price they would receive if the UK were not in the EEC. New Zealand is in fact currently asking for an increase in its price from the Community of nearly a quarter.



Subsidised Butter

Prior to British entry to the EEC, butter in the UK was cheap because overseas suppliers apart from New Zealand were prepared to subsidise their exports here. An analysis of these subsidies in 1968, for example, shows European countries (and Australia) subsidising butter sales to the UK by between £60 and over £400 per ton. There is no doubt that subsidies would now have to be very much larger than this to lower butter prices in the UK below their present levels. To support the present size of our market, on the other hand, at the present price, some supplies at least would have to be drawn from EEC countries. Either in or out of the Common Market therefore, the price of butter on the UK market will depend on the EEC, on the policies it adopts towards export restitutions and on its policies towards the level of milk production within its borders. As a non-member of the EEC, the UK would have no voice in the formulation of these policies. Whatever these policies were, if the UK withdrew, it would hardly be surprising if the EEC adopted a different policy towards a country that had decided to leave "the Club" than towards other countries that had never been members. Pondering on these imponderables, it would seem foolish, if not downright misleading, for anyone to be emphatic that the UK might enjoy lower butter prices if it were outside the EEC.

Looking back over where we stand as we approach the end of transition, it is the distortions that have been produced in dairy production, processing and marketing through a succession of events culminating in the massive fall in the commercial rate of exchange in the latter half of 1976 which have been the most disturbing feature. Most of the distorting effects were unforeseen in 1972 and the early part of 1973 but there has indeed been a general failure by successive Governments to take action in time, with the result that there has been a massive stimulus to UK imports from Community sources producing

at higher cost than in the UK, Let us not forget either that the Treaty of Rome specifically sets out, as one of its aims, encouragement of the best use of the Community's resources by rationalisation of production in the areas of the Community best suited to it. The situation that I have described in fact has the contrary effect.

Producer Prices

In the recent price review decisions the Community Target Price was raised by 31/2 per cent above the level prevailing in the winter of 1976/77. Over the year 1977/78 it will average just

From the Address by the Chairman Sir Richard Trehane

Because of the Green curreacy changes, producer price changes in some other EEC countries are likely to be greater. For example, in France the percentage increase will be approximately 7.4, in Denmark 10.6 and in Ireland over 29 per cent. On the other hand in Germany the percentage increase will be a little under 3 per cent and in Holland and Beigium a little under 5, but in these countries the rate of inflation has been significantly lower

under 5 per cent above 1976 77,

being about 612 per cent up in

summer and 312 per cent up in

winter. The guaranteed price increase for the UK in the April

to December period is 5.7 per

cent above the guaranteed price

for 1976/77 - an increase from

44p per gallon to an average of

46.5p per gallon.

than average.

Since the inflation rate here is likely to average some 15 per cent the severest reduction in the real prices to milk producers in the coming year is likely to be in the UK. The combined effect of the price changes and Green currency levels means that instead of being improved, the relative competitive position of our producers in the market is certain to be damaged

We recognise, of course, that following the end of transition on the 31 December 1977, agricultural support systems will be based more on market support systems than on Government guarantees. I have to tell you that, so far, no announcement of Government intentions for the post-transition period has been made. Although we recognise that there will be changes and although talks are continuing with the Ministry about the new arrangements, it makes our task in planning for the future exceptionally difficult when even the principles to be introduced on the I January 1978 have not yet been finally stated.



World Food Situation

At a time when life is far from easy, either for dairy farmers or the British nation as a whole, it is tempting to concentrate attention on our own problems and to ignore the world around us. But we are too small a part of that world to insulate ourselves from it. Only three years ago, we were desperately concerned by the shortage of wheat caused by events that were unexpected and over which we had no control. But memories

In dairying, there has been so much discussion of surpluses during the last two years that it has surely been overlooked that the growth of world milk supplies during this decade has fallen behind the growth in population. Taking one year with another, there has been an increase in milk supplies of only about 1 % per cent a year.

Many developing countries, who like ourselves, have been impoverished by the increase in oil prices and inflation, are even less able than in the past to buy dairy products and must

rely on food aid. In this respect the record of the developed countries has been no more impressive for dairy products than for cereals. Despite the accumulation of stocks of skim milk powder. approaching two million tonnes, food aid supplies in each of the last two years have not been much more than 100,000

Even though we in the developed countries have had a difficult time in the last three years as a result of depression and inflation, surely we are not so badly impoverished that we cannot finance the food aid required to sustain some of the world's poorest people at the minimum level of nutrition,

UK Expansion Policy

I have already touched upon the disappointment that the Board - and I believe the industry generally - feels at the lack of expansion in the transitional period. The dairy cow population was reduced between 1973 and 1976 more sharply than in any comparable time period. This time last year it was our hope that in 1977 we should be seeing some recovery in evidence in cow numbers. Regrettably this is not proving to be the case and we can only say that the decline in the last two quarterly Census Returns in the number of dairy heifers-incalf is again one of the sharpest recorded, yet seems to have been accepted calmly in Whitehall. There is no clearer indication of the fact that investment by the industry is at a low ebb and insufficient to maintain production in the long term. In the current year there will be some recovery in milk output due to more normal weather patterns, but this will still not put us back on the growth path envisaged in 'Food From Our Own Resources'. There has been a strong inclination in public discussion, particularly that surrounding the re-opening of the EEC debate by the anti-marketeers, to question the relevance of the arguments for expansion and to cloud them especially with the European surplus problems. While the objectives for expansion of individual commodities within the time period envisaged by the Government are certainly now unattainable, the arguments about the need for that expansion do not seem to me to have altered in any way. They were primarily: 1. the likelihood of increasing world food shortages in the

future and therefore the growing economic danger of depending on large imports, and

2. the balance of payments difficulties of the UK economy. I have already covered the former, but should like to add a little to what has already been said about the balance of pay-

Oil is no Panacea

In my judgement there has been a dangerous tendency to discuss the case on the assumption that North Sea oil will solve all our problems. I submit that, important as North Sea. oil is, it will not turn out to be the panacea for our economic difficulties unless advantage is taken of the breathing space it will provide to bring about a fundamental restructuring of the British economy. Unlike the fruits of our land, which can be maintained indefinitely for the benefit of our country and its people, North Sea oil is certainly a finite resource that is likely to be exhausted within the working lifetime of a generation. The balance of payments surplus it will produce will have heavy strain placed upon it. Massive debts have been accumulated from past balance of payments deficits. Government services in health and education have been cut and unemployment is mounting to an unacceptable level while the opportunities for export-led industrial growth in an increasingly

competitive world are becoming difficult to find. A substantially strengthened UK currency, to which agricultural expansion would contribute, along with oil, would indeed enable the UK to play a much more positive role in the development of the European Community now that our transition is nearly complete.

Markets and European Surplus

In talking about the expansion of our industry we do not indeed since we operate in the market place day-by-day, we cannot - lose sight of the problem of the European surplus of dairy products. We do not happen to believe that a right and proper part of the solution to that problem should be a serious and deliberate handicapping of the UK industry. Judged by the pressure in Brussels for a devaluation of the Green £, it is clear that the collective wisdom of the Commission does not think so either. For its part, the Board has not adopted non-Communitaire attitudes and has arged producers to support the general package of measures to be taken on a European basis to solve the surplus problem.

Our cultivation of the liquid market has not been achieved solely by promotional activities but by the work of the whole industry on improving the quality of the product and the service behind it. This is an effort that our partners in the Community could follow to everyone's advantage.

These are matters on which your Board has had - and will

continue to have - experience and knowledge that is important to the rest of the Community. They show just one aspect of the value and usefulness of your Board within the Community which I am certain the practical wisdom of colleagues in Europe will increasingly realise.

Services to the Farmer

The Board is the only sizeable organisation in the world that covers the whole spectrum of dairying from built to butter. It has always accepted a responsibility to provide farmers with the services they need to help them in the efficient and profitable promotion of their businesses. The range now offered on this side alone, comprising artificial insemination, milk recording, milking machine testing, costing and advisory services, and veterinary services is, we believe, more comprehensive than that provided by any other single organisation

The Board are determined that their services will continue to progress in the future and that the investment in the painstaking research and development required to provide a sound base for effective progress will be maintained. Only in this way can we ensure that in the future our farmers will have the tools they need to enable them to maintain their competitive position. We shall adopt the same philosophy in all the activities that we undertake on behalf of producers.

In Conclusion

It is appropriate that at this meeting each year we record our appreciation for the co-operation and assistance we get from many people: milk producers, the National Farmers' Union, those who buy our products and supply our requirements, the Press, the immensely loyal body of the Board's staff and many others. Especially in this, my twentieth and last address to producers in annual meeting, I would like to record my personal thanks and appreciation for the tremendous support and understanding that I have received myself from all these sources. In particular may I thank my most immediate colleagues, my Vice-Chairman and fellow Board Members and senior members of staff.



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All-round sales fillip plus better margins spur Allied Colloids

By Alison Mitchell

An across-the-board increase in sales coupled with the benefits of a capital expenditure programme filtering through, has given Allied Colloids, the speciality chemicals manufacturer, almost doubled profits .

On turnover which rose from £12.9m to £19.4m in the 12 months to April 2. the group turned in pre-tax profits of almost £5m against £2.4m pre-

And not even a warning by Mr Jack Dawes, chairman, that this level of profit increase was unlikely to be repeated could dampen the enthusiasm of the stock market yesterday, where shares were marked up 7p to 232p at one time.

Most of the improvement has come from an increase in sales. During the period Allied did not raise prices significantly but with overhead costs per unit dropping as the volume increased, the group benefited from better margins.

Allied supplies additives to speed up or improve the chemiand industrial companies and

seas sales, and Mr Dawes discloses that the group has asmall but growing market in the Eastern European countries. Over the past decade pre-tax

profits have risen steadily but last year's spectacular increase was "exceptional", and Mr Dawes gives a warning that it would be unrealistic to expect it to be maintained.

However sales in the first three months of the current year are up 25 per cent on last time and if this continues, it would give the group pre-tax profits of around \$2.5m at the alf-way stage.
For shareholders there is a

final dividend of 4.62p gross bringing the total for the year to 6.85p, as forecast in the chairmon's statement. This compares with 2.12p last year. There will also be a two-for-one scrip to make the shares more marketable.

Last year's rights issue, which reised about £1m, is to be used to expand the group. According to the chairman there is to be a bigger spending programme this year with money going on both plant and machinery. Finishing at 228p yesterday.

has over 100 customers through-out the world. Almost 70 per cent of turnover relates to over 12.3,

Swiss now hold near 30pc of Provincial

By Our Financial Staff Laundries, Mr Arthur Ball, has sold around 20 per cent of his holding in the group to a Swiss

investment company.
Added to the shares it has already bought from another source this gives UEI Service Industries Holdings a 29' per

cent stake in Provincial.

Mr Ball said yesterday that
he had been contemplating resigning from the board for some time and decided to sell

Over the past few years Provincial has had an erratic profit home and the company's New-record. But Mr Ball told share-castle offices.

holders in his annual statement that the group is maintaining an aggressive sales policy and expects a continuing upward trend in turnover

Provincial also plans to increase its business both by internal growth and through acquisition or merger, Mr Ball, who took over as chairman last to expand the board for some time, and at UBI's suggestion. Mr Brian Burnett has joined

the shares after being Mr Ball will be announcing approached by UBI. The Swiss his resignation to shareholders company assured him they were at the annual meeting. For reasons of ill-health he feels cannot continue to travel he cannot continue to travel between his South of England

Eleventh peak year turned in by Airfix Industries

Toy group Airfix Industries is still producing record figures. In the year to March 31, profits, before tax and minorities, rose from £3.44m to £4.03m on turn-over up from £33.66m to E39.39m. As indicated in June last year, a final dividend of 2.7p gross is being paid. This maintains the total at 4.39p—but it is being paid on capital more than doubled from 12.33m to 25.96m shares. The capital

consumer goods and industria

power equipment were well ahead of the 1976 quarter.

had higher sales, but earnings

were down primarily because of the AEG-Telefunken sale.

Aerospace sales and earnings were up slightly, Mr Jones

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Earnings per share (adjusted for the rights issue) are un-changed at 7.6p.

Mr Ralph Ehrmann, the chairman, said: "I look forward to further progress in the current year. A salient point in the accounts which will be published on August 19, is the in-crease of assets per share from 43.1p to 61.5p."

This is the eleventh successive in favour of Mr R. W. Rowland. was enlarged by a rights issue year Airfix has produced record who was appointed Suins chair-and enfranchisement scheme. results.

Gen Elec (US) up to expectations



Mr R. W. "Tiny" Rowland

Suits dips to £4.49m before tax

The latest annual figures from Scottish & Universal Investments, in which Lonrho now has a stake of almost 30 per cent, show that pre-tax pro-fits dipped from £4.92m to 54.49m in the year to March 31. This was in spite of turn-over rising from £49.15m to

£58.33m.
Although earnings per share the final gross dividend is going up from 4.01p to 4.35p.
This lifts the total from 7.1p

Pre-tax profits were struck after depreciation up from 5503,000 to 5718,000, a jump in interest payable from 579,000 to £349,000 and associated-company losses of 5289,000, com-pared with £278,000. But they include interest, investment and other income of \$1.06m, against £1.45m last time.

Profits, after tax, fell from 52.78m to 52.26m. But there are no extraordinary items to be deducted this year, com-pared with a £5.24m charge last year. Suits' shares dropped by

4p to 89p yesterday.
Suits' pre-tax profits hit a record £5.44m in 1974-75, but then fell to £4.92m in the following 12 months. In the half-year to September.

In the half-year to September 30 turnover was up from £23.2m to £27.26m, but pre-tax profits fell from £2.67m to £2.56m. The board explained that the profit decline reflected a reduction in sales margins in some divisions and an increased financing requirement. Suite' activities cover oring. Suits' activities cover print-

ing, publishing and bookselling, whisky, engineering, dry cleaning, textiles and soft drinks.

The year's pre-tax result was expected to be in line with the

previous year's. In March, Sir Hugh Fraser, then chairman of Suits' told the board that he and other mem-bers of his family and family trusts had sold to Lonrho 7.46m ordinary shares in Suits' (24 per cent of the capital) at 95p each. Sir Hugh stepped down from

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profits - compared with \$178,600 last year. The result is that the profit attributable to ordinary shares jumped by 50 per cent to £591,900. The board explains that earn-

Overseas decline fails to stop

April 3 to a peak of £1.43mjust beating the previous record of £1.42m achieved in ings per share and cash-flow in 1976-77 were much better than in recent years and so, it Sales rose from 533.83m to says, although inflation con-A breakdown of profits shows that sales of the United Kingdom companies expanded from 225.63m to 228.38m and trading profits from 2903,000 to £1.49m. But, although the sales of overseas subsidiaries were up from £8.19m to £8.27m, trading profits slumped from £658,000

tinues at a very high rate and the board has constantly to balance claims on the group's financial resources, it is feit that the year's total dividend should be restored to the equivalent of 20 per cent gross paid in the four years to 1973. The final dividend goes up from 2.12p to 3.750 gross. This The tax charge is up, but there are no extraordinary

United Gas marching to peak items to be deducted from ... Treasury agreement has been optsmed.

Commodities

90 COCOA was [bm -July 15, 272-40] pr metric ton: Sept. 22, 493-44; Dec. 23, 755-38; March, 22, 595-97; May.

The Government's call for a

The Government's call for a vote of confidence on their economic policy next week in Parliament upset sentiment in the pound on foreign exchanges yesterday. After some initial selling had been overcome sterling had looked relatively steady around \$1.7200, but dipped to \$1.7195 before recovering to \$1.7197 at which it closed. The effective exchange index which was strengthened by a firmer dollar, stayed unchanged at \$61.0.

Dealers reported some very

moderate Bank of England sup-port for the pound. The near 1 per cent increase in M3 money

supply was generally appropried, but the visible trade deficit of 1287m in June was none too well

received.

The 1 per cent cut in the Bundesbank discount rate to 32 per cent, and the 1 per cent cut in the Lombard rate to 4 per cent, put the Deutschmark lower against the dollar at 2.2910 compared with 2.2800 overnight.

Gold gained \$0.50 to close in London at \$143.875.

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Exchange

United's continued recovery at home is mainly due to its two appliance companies Robin-son Willey and Berry Magicoal esch of which performed very satisfactorily in spite of the poor state of the appli-

Abroad, however, suffered from what has become a regular cycle caused by the relatively large and long-term gas-station contracts being gas-station contracts being manufactured by United's Gertran assecutive company. In 1975, United had a surplus on these contracts—in 1976, a deficit and in 1977, a surplus

is "almost certain".

The results of the other raises the total payment from The results of the other 3.12p to 5p. At this level, the trading companies were in line.

Sears sells bulk of stake in Freemans

By Our Financial Staff

to £346,000.

Sir Charles Clore's Sears Holdings has sold the bulk of the 20.3 per cent stake in Free-mans (London SW9), the mail order concern, which it built up in 1973 and 1974.

from overseas offshoots, United

Gas Industries managed to

push its pre-tax profits up by

24 per cent in the 53 weeks to

Our of a total holding of 4.7m shares, Sears vesterday sold 4.2m shares by means of a placing through the stock market by its brokers, Joseph

In a statement last night Sears said the disposal had produced a "satisfactory profit" and had released over 59m to augment the existing cash re-sources available to the Sears group. The remaining 500,000 shares—just over 2 per cent of the equity—were being retained as an investment.

Sears sales comes only shortly after it had emerged for the first time that Great Universal Stores, a market leader in the mail order field, was a holder of just under 10 per cent of Freemans. This holding was revealed on April 14 to comply with the new companies Act reshare stakes of more than 5 per

Sears at one time showed a clear interest in making a bid for Freemans. At the end of ! 1972 merger talks were held, i but Freemans told Sears that it wanted to remain independent. 1973 Sears revealed that it had bought 12.4 per cent of the equity. Between then and August 1974 Sears was a regular buyer, taking its stake up to the 20 per cent mark. In view of the GUS stake it

now appears that any unwanted bid from Sears could have faced strong opposition, since the board of Freemens appears to own around 13 per cent itself. Freemans has recently been achieving significant growth in profit Its results for the year to the end of last January showed profits up from 58.2m to 510.3m, and the chairman, Mr Anthony Ramoton, forecast both sales and profits growth this year in his annual report. Last night Freemans shares

closed 50 lower on the stock market at 226p, where the comquiring companies to declare pany is capitalized at 152m. Howden marks time but looks to better year

With the second half bringing in E3.1m against 53m a year ago, the Howden Groupends the year to April 30 with a pre-tax profit of 54.64m against £4.66m. This is a better second likely betterland have been closed. performance than seemed likely at half time, when profits were depressed by a loss of £700,000 on the industrial refrigeration interests, and the board thought hat a fall for the full year was

Shareholders are to receive a dividend of 5.5p against 4.9p gross, while earnings a share are 5p against 6.2p.
Mr K. V. Grob, the chairman

nies in Italy, France and Switzerland have been closed. This followed losses of the Howden Holima Refrigeration Group and the continuing lack of business in the industrial refrigera-

The electronic control and in-sulated panel manufacturing facilities within the same group have been sold. Closure and dis-posal costs amounting in the aggregate to 5696,011 have been written off as extraordinary as in the year under review. ; or orders are good and the results of funds market prices owing to the for the current year should be caused by losses has been new York power failure.

one-for-three

cash call

by Ashley Druker

At the same in reporting fulltime results to March 25 showing it had recouped its 1975-76
setback, Benjamin Priest &
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will be "at least as good" as that for the first. The first-

This increase in sales volume

resulted in the company having

to increase its overdraft to finance the higher levels of working capital. However Mr Oliver Lebus, chairman, forecasts a better second half for the group with marging continuous.

ing to recover from the depressed levels of last year's

S & U Stores reaffirms

Following a second-balf re-covery in the year to January

31, the directors of S and U

Stores, the Birmingham-based

retail and consumer loan credit

forecast in the chairman's last

annual statement that pre-tax

profit for the current year would be \$1m.

extremely close to budget", 5235 chairman Mr Derek Coombs. "We, therefore, have

no reason to believe that the flm forecast for 1977-78 will not materialize."

After being down from a profit of £71,307 to a loss of

£188,551 ar halfway, the group's

pre-tax loss for the year to January 31 last was reduced to £146,413, compared with a profit of £157,893 for 1975-76.

Debenhams confident

Debenhams' chairman Sir

Anthony Burney is confident that 1977 will be another good

despite the adverse effect of

In the year to January 29, pre-tax profits were £20.45m on

of good year

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group, have reaffirmed

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1.41m new ordinary shares by way of rights on a one-for-three basis at a price of 45p. This is at a discount of 17p on the share price before the news.

Morgan Grenfell has under

10 per cent to 6.57p gross for the year just past. For the current year the board predicts total dividends of 7.76p gross on the enlarged equity. This progress on the progress of 15 represents an increase of 15 per cent.

written the issue and Smith At half-way better demand was helping the group to fight back from the reverse in the preceding year when profits feil 5246,000 to 5754,000. A tight grip on costs allowed interim pre-tax profits to rise by 26 per cent to £432,000. But Mr Charles Wardle, chairman, in February was not optimistic on the second-half. In the event pre-tax profit climbed from 2.54,000 to 51m—an increase of per cent for the full year. This was achieved on turnover up from £8.47m to £9.39m. After an extraordinary item of £139,000, for good will written off on the acquisition of a sub-sidiary, against £31,000, the attributable slipped back from 5384,000 to 5332,000. Earnings a

It gives as reason for its rights issue that until recently the company had financed its working capital requirements and capital expenditure mainly

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Turnover for year 53m (£5,5m). Pre-tax: profit £420,000 (£226,000). Earnings a share 8.25p (£2.44p). Total dividend 2.97p gross (£7.1p).

Mr Reginald Jones, chairman of the General Electric Company of America, said in New York that the 1976 quarter had International

been particularly strong and had included a non-recurring pre-tax gain of \$20.7m (about £12m) realized on the sale of flected oil shipments from the North Sea Piper field, higher sales of gas liquids and imthe company's investment in AEG-Teletunken.
Mr Jones seid: "The improvement shown in this year's second querter is gratifying and is in line with our expectations for continued improvement in 1977 over 1976, despite the strengthening

during the latter mouths of last SKF gets \$30m loan He said that sales and earnings for the company's indus-trial components and systems

pal repayments start in 1982.

Tenneco ends deal Kubota, the Japanese agricultural machinery maker, expects sales for the year ending April 15 to be 10 per cent or more higher than the preceding year, when sales totalled 494,200m yen (about £1,000m). The company said it was unable to predict net income on the same basis for the year in view of severe economic prospects and increased competition from local firms. Net income last

year rose by 13.5 per cent to contract. 21.600m yer

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proved operating results of the Texas Gas pipeline system. Solid improvements in the uranium hexafluoride business also contributed to the improved energy earnings, but coal and coke products had larger losses, mainly because of work stop-pages at Allied's coal mines.

20-year unsecured loan from Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States. The company, a subsidiary of SKF (AB Svenska Kullagerfabriken) of Sweden, says it will use the proceeds for its acquisition of McQuay-Norris from Eaton Corporation. Principal reasonment control 1982

Tenneco LNG, Incorporated, of Houston and Lornerem LNG, of Montreal, have agreed to end regotiations on a con-tract whereby Lorneterm would build and operate a vaporization terminal near Saint John, New Brunswick, to process Algerian liquefied natural gas for piping to America. The

income from its energy line Co would be an effective share improved significantly in the exchange scheme on the basis second-quarter over the same of three Hutchison for one HK period a year are This are the same of three Hutchison for one HK period a year ago. This re-Dock, said stockbrokers Hoare

Govert forecasts Hutchison's 1977 net profit at \$HK115m compared with \$HK79.1m, plus a further increase to HK\$138m in 1978, not including full consolidation of HK Dock. Net earnings of HK Dock for 1977 were forecast at \$HK102m

SKF Industries Incorporated of Philadelphia says it has obtained a \$30m (about £11.7m)

companies were unable to reach agreement on the terms of the

Hutchison-HK Dock Estimated fair terms for the

from A.C., giving it a 50 per cent equity interest in January, 1979. If the option is exercised Siemens will pay a total of about \$40m.—AP-DJ.

agreed in principle to acquisition of Calbiochem

unconditional offer will be sent to remaining holders. TRUST BANK OF AFRICA Shareholders representing 25,34 per cent of the shares have accepted offer by Bank Holding

CROWN AGENTS SALE Abbey Capital Hidgs (Crown Agents Australian property sub-sidiary) has sold to National Bank the Capital Tower Office building ar Bourke Street, Melbourne for about 147m.

were forecast at \$HK102m against \$HK89.3m, rising to \$HK113m next year. Allis-Siemens link-up

Aikis-Chalmers Corporation and Siemens AG have agreed to form Siemens-Alkis Inc. a new company with headquarters in the United States and engaged in the electric products business. It is expected to be in operation about next January. The initial equity of the new company will be owned 80 per cent by A-C and 20 per cent by Siemens, which will contribute cash in exchange for the 20 per cent out to interest. the 20 per cent equity interest. Siemens will have an option to buy an additional 30 per cent

Hoechst-Calbiochem Calbiochem and American Roechst Corporation, a sub-sidiary of Hoechst AG, have American Hoechst for \$20.8m. Calbiochem, located in La Jolla, makes specialized chemicals and pharmaceuticals. Last year it had a net loss of \$231,518 on revenue of \$15.1m. In this year's first quarter it earned \$76,963 on revenue of \$3.4m.—

SOUTHERN INDIA TEA Douglas Fraser & Sons (London); together with one of its directors, has acquired or irrevocably agreed to acquire, 52.21 per cent of the voting rights of Southern India Ten Estates. An appropriational offers will be considered.

Corp of South Africa Bankorp now owns 60.48 per cent of Trust Bank shares.

ALPINE HOLDINGS. Present auditors, Arram, Berlyn, Gardner and Thomson McLintock, are to resign. Arthur Andersen to be appointed. Alpine intends to expand into complementary

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Briefly

Best yet at Mann Egerton

Mann Egerton, now a sub-sidiary of Inchcape, reports in-creased profits for the eleventh year running. On turnover in-creased some 20.5, per cent to \$117.8m for the year to March
\$1, pre-tax profit rose 18.4 per
cent to £3.7m. Interest charges
were down 50 per cent to
\$126.00 Fearings to these show £176,000. Earnings a share show a rise from 18.4p to 21.4p. Since the year-end a successful bid has been made for Lighting and Leisure Industries. Generally, the motor division continued to account for some 96 per cent of group turnover and 93.5 per cent of pretax profits, Demand for Leyland parts was buoyant and in spite of a strike in a Leyland distribution centre, a significant growth in turnover was achieved. This was especially so

has been sustained in the pre-WILSON (CONNOLLY)
Shares rose on news that board proposes to scrip issue of 1 new second preference share for every 10 ordinary shares held.

in the second-half. The progress

TOZER KEMSLEY & MILLEOURN Rights issue taken up on 91.5 per cent of shares. UNITED CARRIERS

Transport Development Group bas bought 100,000 shares, increas-ing holdings to 1.325,200 shares (10.8 per cent). ROLLS BUYS GARDNER Rowe and Pinnan, Hurst Brown, has purchased 3,000 L. Gardner and Sous shares at 345p for Rolls-Royce Motor, Holdings, an asso-ciate of L. Gardner and Sons.

SPAR RESIGNATION Mr Michael Reynolds CBE has resigned as managing director of Spar by mutual agreement with Spar board. Board acknowledges his major contribution to bringing Spar to its present position of Spar to its present position strength in the food trade. MEARS BROS

Yesterday's report on Mears Bros Holdings should have made clear that it was the future of A. Long Products which remained underided, not A. Long & Co, which is trading well. Referring to the group as a whole, Sir George Middleton, chairman, said that welling it the first half are that trading in the first-half to March 31 had been encouraging. GRAHAM WOOD STEEL

as Newman opens talks

The Dover Engineering Group group profit for the second half bounced up from a pre-tax profit of 224,000 to one of £155,000 in the 12 months to half's more than doubled figyesterday came the announce-ment that Dover has been approached by Newman Indus-tries which could lead to an offer being made for the capital

In 1976-77, Dover's sales were up from £3.63m to £4.26m. A dividend of 0.5p is being paid. Dover last paid a dividend—an Interim—in March, 1974. The big profit improvement, the board explains, reflects the maintenance of progress and better profits forecast earlier. In spite of the uncertainties, Dover has expanded its trading and maintained higher margins through its increase in exports. The balance sheet shows a "considerable improvement" in net current assets, with bank overdrafts cut from £1.34m to £972,000.

Dolan shares jump as dealings restart

Shares in Dolan Packaging, the paper and containers firm now at the centre of two rival takeover bids, jumped sharply again as dealings restarted vesterday. A gain of 18p quickly took the shares up from Wednesday's suspension price of 146p to 182p.

offer last month of

doubles in first half

On turnover up from 52.98m to £4.73m in the balf-year to

Back to dividends at Dover

March 31. With this good news ures largely reflect increased yesterday came the announcement that Dover has been plantations which the board had forecast. Signs of recovery of Dover other than the 25.93
per cent already owned by Newman. Charterhouse Japher have
been appointed advisers to at Harris Lebus Despite a severely depressed market, furniture manufacturer Harris Lebus increased pre-tax profits from £125,00 to £131,000 in the six months to April 29. Turmover rose 37 per cent to

This is a couple of pence over the value of the near £16m rival offer amounted on Wednesday by Canadian Over-seas Packaging Industries. The first bidders, the Swedish group ASSI, made an agreed a share in cash with the backing of Dolan directors. But a statement from the Dolan board yesterday said it was now con-sidering the rival bid.

Yule Catto more than

April 30, pre-tax profits of Yule Catto jumped from £377,000 to £943,000. With earnings per store up from 1.32b to 3.02p, the laterum payment, gross, is being lifted from 0.76p to 0.92p. The board expects that, propoor spring weather. vided there is no significant downturn in the prices of rubber and paim oil crops, the

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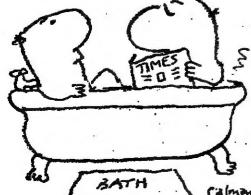
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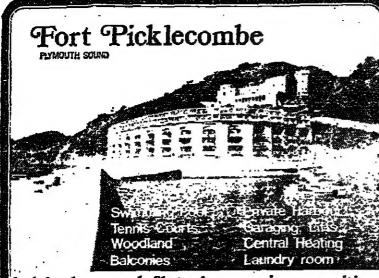
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distinguished but roseartisans' cotteges covered beloved of the colour supplethe missing ingre-became obvious, ments. creepers. Every house hunter can see that at some stage in the development of housing design in this country every second new building second new building acquired a mock pedigree. Mock Tudor, beams prolifer-ate but in no way improve

After a dispiriting day being their pretentious styling, and promising schemes to shown a seemingly endless they tend to appear as if reduce moregage costs for number of characterless new they were left out too long first time buyers. And at a houses it dawned on me that in the rain and shrank. Non-creeper fans and the the supply of new houses is prising landscaper who intro- massed ranks of the countar at a low ebb. Department of duces a rent-a-creeper ser- try's housing developers the Environment forecasts vice.

would dismiss criticism of of 150,000 new house starts new house design on the this year are considered grounds that they are build- over-optimistic by -most

> argument. If, as a few brave prices should rise. developers have found m their cost a new house breaches the standard rules of ordinariness, it is diffi-cult to sell. Evidence of those rules is string along every roadside in the country. Brinish buyers like roofs that go up in the middle and down ar the edges. A relatively sensible point in view of the climate and on which has cost flat and one which has cost flat roof enthusiasts in the building trade much heartache.
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> People like a front door to
> be in the front, garages to be
> at the side gardens to be
> both front and back—even when, as a result, sites turn out as serried rows of mock-semis—and buyers like It might be thought that even within those demanding

parameters architects might parameters architects might manage to inject a little grace into their product. And it could be argued that since ordinary houses are all buyers are offered it is hardly surprising that they, and their building societies, should want to stick with a known formula for fear of resale problems. But, who-ever is blamed for the

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> tive. The critical factor for builders is the pace of that price increase. Secondhand house prices continue to material costs have risen by around 70 per cent since 1974, years in which new house prices rose by only 25 per cent, builders contracting margins on new homes have been pered to the bone. They may still be able to sell a house profit ably if they can make sufficient profit on the sale of the land to make up for negligible profits on the building work. But recent development land legislation gives building land with un-encumbered planning permission a scarcity value that makes it difficult and very costly for builders to replen-ish land banks.

ally low cost building land to bolster profits, builders are under pressure to trim costs. By moving down market to attract Government supported and building society faroused first time paupacy of design financial maximum number of houses problems facing the house on the smallest possible builders at the moment site; building to only the quash any hopes of an improvement in building or design quality in the forsetable future.

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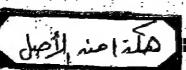
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